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Arrivals.

March 11, COLORADO, American str., 4,000, N. C. Dearborn, San Francisco 1st Feb., and Yokohama 4th March, General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

March 11, HAILOONG, British str., 277, J. C. Abbott, Tamsui 6th March, Takao 8th, Amoy 9th, and Swatow 10th, General.—D. LAPRAIK & Co.

March 11, CHINA, German steamer, 648, P. H. Hennings, Canton 10th March, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

March 11, LYRA, British bark, 379, T. H. Carr, Bangkok 26th December, Rice.—YUEN-FAT-HONG.

March 11, EGERIA, German str., 1,780, J. Entwisle, Shanghai 7th March, Merchandise.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

March 11, ORISSA, British steamer, 1,100, Edmond, Whampao March 11th.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

March 11, IRAOUADDY, French str., 2440, Lecointre, Marseilles 31st Jan., Naples 2nd Feb., Port Said 6th, Suez 8th, Aden 13th, Galle 22nd, Singapore 1st March, and Saigon 7th, General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

March 11, H.M.S. VIGILANT, 835, Lieut.-Comdr. Hugh C. D. Ryder, Bangkok 25th February, and Saigon 6th March.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, MARCH 11TH.

Nankin, str., for Saigon.
China, str., for Ningpo and Shanghai.
Esmeralda, str., for Manila.

Departures.

March 11, DOUGLAS, str., for East Coast.
March 11, AVA, str., for Saigon and Marseilles.
March 11, CHINA, str., for Ningpo & Shanghai.
March 11, ESMERALDA, str., for Manila.

Passengers.

ARRIVED.

Per *Colorado*, str., from San Francisco and Yokohama:—Miss Gamble, Miss H. J. Shaw, Messrs. B. C. Gowing, U.S.N., A. C. McMechan, U.S.N., L. E. Bixler, U.S.N., and Paul Heinmann, 2 Europeans and 111 Chinese in steerage.

Per *Iraouaddy*, str., from Marseilles, &c.:—For Hongkong.—Madame James, Madame Kyrii, Messrs. Laisnu, F. Laucken, A. Brand, R. Anderson, J. Barclay, Buchanan and son, Herwig, J. Hart, H. Hora, Griffiths, Sperskeen, and Boell, and 21 Chinese. For Shanghai.—Madame Arnoud and 2 children, Messrs. Moffat, Emonet, and Guirtchick. For Yokohama.—Madame Gulliford, Messrs. Ogura, Yto Toshi, Carles, Schmid, and Saurin, and 30 Marines.

Per *Egeria*, str., from Shanghai:—Messrs. Phichon and Kofod.

Per *Hailoong*, str., from Tamsui, &c.:—Messrs. Abis and P. G. von Millendorf, 1 European deck and 56 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Ava*, str., for Saigon and Marseilles:—For Saigon.—La Rev. Mère Benjamin, Messrs. J. de Peretti, Torion, Adam, Coiffier, and Mangus, 8 Officers and 88 Soldiers. For Singapore.—Mr. Arroozoo. For Port Said.—Messrs. M. G. Scheveleff, F. F. Schoeniff, and G. F. Zotoff. For Marseilles.—H. E. Sir Arthur Kennedy, Miss Kennedy and maid servant, Mr. and Mrs. Astorquiss, 4 children and 2 amahs, Mr. and Mrs. Pinto Bastos, Capt. O'Callaghan, Messrs. H. Ladage, E. F. Mallet, Joaquin das Neves de Souza, Baude, Terp, Lund, Minguad, Allcot and child, Noyer and a French Attaché.

Per *Esmeralda*, str., for Manila:—Rev. Frederico Jimenez, Dr. Somerville, Messrs. Langworthy and Ratschke, and 327 Chinese.

Per *China*, str., for Ningpo, &c.:—Capt. A. Corner, and 42 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

Per *Nankin*, str., for Saigon:—10 Chinese.

Reports.

H.M.S. *Vigilant* reports left Bangkok on 25th February, and Saigon on 6th March, and had light monsoon and fine weather.

The German steamship *Egeria* reports left Shanghai on 7th March, and had fine weather after leaving the port. The last two days had dirty weather and rain to arrival.

The British steamship *Hailoong* reports left Tamsui on 6th March, Takao on the 8th, Amoy on the 9th, and Swatow on the 10th. First and latter parts had light airs and fine weather; the middle part fresh N.E. mons. on and cloudy weather. In Amoy, the German corvette *Ariadne* and steamship *Washi*. The steamship *Yuen-tse-fee* left on the 9th for Manila. In Swatow, the steamships *Hochung*, *Ocean* and *Yottung*. On the 10th, saw the steamship *Aden* off Breaker Point.

The American steamship *Colorado* reports left San Francisco on 1st February at 12.30 p.m., with 17 Cabin, 2 Europeans and 32 Chinese steerage passengers, 416 tons freight; weather from February 1st to 27th head winds and rough sea. On the 28th N.E. gale. Arrived in Yokohama on 1st March at 9.30 a.m., and landed 17 cabin, 2 European steerage passengers, and 344 tons freight, and left Yokohama on the 4th at 6 a.m., with 6 cabin and 2 Europeans steerage. Received from *Vasco de Gama* 77 Chinese steerage passengers and 864 tons freight. Met and exchanged mails with P.M.S.S. Co.'s steamer *Great Republic* on the 7th at 9.30 p.m., off Cape Chichakoff. To the Cape had head winds, since then had strong N.E. monsoon.

Vessels Expected at Hongkong.

(Corrected to Date.)

Vessel's Name.	From.	Dates.
Panama	Cardiff	Nov. 13
Ceylon	London	Nov. 17
Hilberina	Glasgow	Nov. 20
Villa Franca	Liverpool	Nov. 21
Juno	Cuxhaven	Nov. 23
Rollo	London	Nov. 30
Albatross	Cardiff	Dec. 1
Harwich	Swansea	Dec. 7
Livingstone	Cardiff	Dec. 12
Caphorn	Swansea	Dec. 14
Sophie	Antwerp	Dec. 14
Anna	Hamburg	Dec. 16
Sumatra	New York	Dec. 23
Hazard	San Francisco	Dec. 30
Anne Christine	Antwerp	Jan. 5
George	Cardiff	Jan. 9
Ella	Cardiff	Jan. 9
Marie	Cardiff	Jan. 11
Patrocina (s)	Liverpool	Jan. 13
Lotus (s)	London	Jan. 14
Bengal (s)	London	Jan. 16
Aleda	Shields	Jan. 16
Balgownie	London	Jan. 23
Hongkong (s)	London	Jan. 24
Ulysses (s)	Liverpool	Jan. 27
Glenfinlas (s)	London	Jan. 28

Auction Sales To-day.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
At 11 A.M.,
Stock-in-Trade, Fixtures, Furniture, &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
At 12 noon,
Sundry Goods.
At 4.30 P.M.,
North China Racing Ponies, &c.

To be Let.

TO LET.

THE PREMISES at present occupied by THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, Queen's Road.

Apply to G. FALCONER.

tf 1070 Hongkong, 7th July, 1874.

TO LET.

With Possession on 1st of April.

THE PREMISES now occupied by the INDO-CHINESE SUGAR COMPANY, LIMITED, as OFFICES, consisting of Four ROOMS on the First Floor, situated in Bank Buildings. Rent $75 per month. Apply to

T. ALGAR,
9, *Hollywood Road.*

tf 392 Hongkong, 10th March, 1875.

TO LET.

A THREE-STOREYED COMFORTABLE HOUSE, No. 18, Hollywood Road, having Nine Rooms, with a fine view of the Harbour. Gas and Water laid on. Rent moderate.

For Particulars, address "L. A." care of this Office.

tf 234 Hongkong, 11th February, 1875.

TO LET.

TWO DWELLING HOUSES and OFFICES, Nos. 14 and 16, Stanley Street, lately in the occupation of Messrs. RAYNAL & Co., which have recently been thoroughly repaired. Possession may be had from May 1st.

With Immediate Possession.

PREMISES No. 44, Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of Messrs. G. DUBOST & Co.

HOUSE No. 35, Wellington Street, thoroughly repaired, lately in the occupation of Messrs. ROSE & Co.

DWELLING HOUSE No. 2, Gough Street, lately in the occupation of Mr. L. J. GUTIERREZ.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 2050 Hongkong, 23rd February, 1875.

TO BE LET.

THE HOUSE No. 2, Morrison Hill. Apply to

THOS. G. GLOVER,
No. 7, Queen's Road.

379 Hongkong, 8th March, 1875.

TO LET.

NO. 2, WESTBOURNE VILLAS, Bonham Road. Apply to

G. FALCONER & Co.

346 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1875.

TO LET.

With Immediate Possession.

THE Detached PREMISES situated on Inland Lot 169, Graham Street, (recently occupied by Messrs. E. SCHELLHASS & Co.,) consisting of DWELLING HOUSE, OFFICE, and Four GODOWNS.

Also, the DWELLING HOUSES Nos. 8, 9, and 10, Upper Mosque Terrace. Gas and Water laid on.

Apply to T. G. LINSTEAD.

252 Hongkong, 8th March, 1875.

TO LET.

THE Premises known as the "THE WOODLANDS," newly painted and in Good Order.

Apply to REMEDIOS & Co.

tf 131 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1875.

TO LET.

NO. 7, Garden Road, known as "HARPERVILLE," lately the Residence of J. M. WALTERS, Esq.

2 HOUSES in Seymour Terrace.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

tf 197 Hongkong, 6th March, 1875.

TO LET.

THE whole, or part, of the Residence known as "THE HERMITAGE."

Apply to T. ALGAR,
9, *Hollywood Road.*

tf 977 Hongkong, 23rd June, 1874.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL......5,000,000 of Dollars.
RESERVE FUND.......100,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors:—
Chairman—AD. ANDRE, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—A. F. HEARD, Esq.
E. R. Belilios, Esq. | W. H. Forbes, Esq.
J. F. Cordes, Esq. | H. Hoppius, Esq.
F. D. Sassoon, Esq.

Chief Manager.
Hongkong—James Greig, Esq.
Manager.
Shanghai—Ewen Cameron, Esq.
London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months 2 per cent. per annum
6 " 4 " "
12 " 5 " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits—granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts—granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JAMES GREIG, *Chief Manager.*

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, 18th February, 1875.

THE SWISS LLOYDS' TRANSPORT INSURANCE COMPANY, WINTERTHUR.

Subscribed Capital	$1,000,000
Reserve Fund	115,000
And Co-insures with French Lloyd, Paris, Capital	1,400,000
And with French Company, Paris, do.	1,000,000
Aggregate Capital	$3,515,000

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.,
AGENTS—HONGKONG AND CHINA.

WILL grant Policies at Current Rates on Marine Risks to all Ports of the World, allowing a Brokerage of—

45 per cent. on Risks East of Singapore.
And 20 per cent. on Risks to Europe and America.

1043 Hongkong, 14th January, 1875.

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

NOTICE.

ON and after this date the above Association will allow a Brokerage of THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. 33⅓ /.) on Local Risks only.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

tf 1800 Hongkong, 4th June, 1874.

POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHAS. H. MORGAN,
Agent.

1y 948 Hongkong, 18th June, 1874.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two-thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premia contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

tf 951 Hongkong, 17th April, 1873.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE Established myself at this Port as Merchant and Commission Agent.

A. MACG. HEATON.

tf 491 Hongkong, 31st March, 1874.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership existing in Japan between Mr. C. J. MELHUISH, Mr. A. W. GLENNIE, and the Undersigned, ceased by mutual consent on 31st December, 1874.

With reference to the above, Mr. C. J. MELHUISH and Mr. A. W. GLENNIE are appointed Liquidators of our Firm in Japan, and are authorized to sign our Firm in Japan in *Liquidation.*

GILMAN & Co.

Hongkong, China, and Japan,
1st March, 1875. [7d 394

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself at this Port as COMMISSION AGENT and PUBLIC TEA INSPECTOR, under the Style and Firm of GEPP & Co.

ARTHUR M. GEPP.

2m 176 Canton, 1st February, 1875.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. THOMAS PICKERING DROWN, in our Firm, ceased on the 10th November, 1873.

E. VINCENT & Co.

Swatow, China, 10th October, 1874.

MR. COLIN CAMPBELL WILLIAMS is this day admitted a Partner in our Firm.

E. VINCENT & Co.

Swatow, China, 10th October, 1874. [tf 1669

NOTICE.

WE, the Undersigned, have Established ourselves at this Port as MERCHANTS and COMMISSION AGENTS, under the style and Firm of JOHNSTON & Co.

W. CUNNINGHAM JOHNSTON,
J. ALEXANDER.

3m 1 Amoy, 1st January, 1875.

NOTICE.

MR. HENRY LISTON DALRYMPLE and Mr. JOHN GORDON TALBOT HASSELL have this day been admitted Partners in our Firm.

Mr. GEORGE HALES is authorised to sign our Firm by procuration, at Foochow.

BIRLEY & Co.

3m 5 Hongkong, 1st January, 1875.

NOTICE.

WE have Established ourselves as MERCHANTS and COMMISSION AGENTS at Hongkong, and in Formosa at Takao and Taiwanfoo, under the Style of

TAYLOR & THOMPSON.

WILLIAM HENRY TAYLOR.
GEORGE MORTIMER THOMPSON.

6m 279 Hongkong, 17th February, 1875.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. R. R. WESTALL in our Firm ceased on the 31st December, 1874, and Mr. WILLIAM MAUNSELL REEVES was admitted a Partner on 1st January, 1875.

WESTALL, GALTON & Co.

1m 360 Foochow, 27th February, 1875.

THE Undersigned has been appointed AGENT at this Port for Messrs. HENRY S. KING & Co., of London.

OFFICE—No. 6, *Stanley Street.*

W. H. NOTLEY.

tf 1765 Hongkong, 24th October, 1874.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day Established myself at this Port as MERCHANT and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT, under the Firm of

WIELER & Co.
OSCAR WIELER.

tf 2137 Hongkong, 19th December, 1874.

NOTICE.

MR. ALFRED THOMAS MANGER has this day been admitted a Partner in our Firm.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

1829 Hongkong, 2nd November, 1874.

NOTICE.

MR. CHARLES EDWARD PARKER was admitted a Partner in our Firm in Hongkong, China, and Japan on the 1st January, 1875.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

tf 250 Hongkong, 12th February, 1875.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. FREDERICK WILLIAM COARE in our Firm ceases from and after this date.

COARE, LIND & Co.

3m 188 Canton, February 1st, 1875.

MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
HAVE FOR SALE,
EX LATE ARRIVALS,

DANISH BUTTER, in 2 lb. Tins.
YORK HAMS.
CHEESE, Double Gloucester.
Do. American.
Do. Eidam.
MEASUREMENT CARGO BOOKS.
FOOT RULES, with CALLIPERS.
GAUGE GLASSES, Assorted Sizes.
METALLIC TAPE LINES, 100 feet.
WALKER'S PATENT LOGS.
COPPER GLOBE LANTERNS.
SOLAR CABIN LAMPS.
LOG LINES.
LEAD LINES.
TUCK'S PATENT PACKING.
PATENT COPPER Do.
IRON BOILER TUBES.
BOILER FELT.
ENGINEERS' FITTINGS.
DRAWING PAPER.
TRACING CLOTH.
BUNTING, Best English.
English YELLOW SOAP.
Do. SOFT Do.
STEARINE CANDLES.
COPYING PRESSES, Foolscap Size.
HAND FIRE ENGINE.
Kentucky SPORTING RIFLES.
Nickel-Plated COLT'S REVOLVERS.
HUBBUCK'S PAINTS and OILS.
GUINNESS' STOUT, in Stone Bottles.
COURVOISIER'S BRANDY, One and Four Diamonds.
Always on hand, GOLDEN GATE BAKER'S EXTRA FLOUR.

342 Hongkong, 1st March, 1875.

FOR SALE.

A PAIR of MARINE ENGINES, 80 Horse-Power, direct acting inverted Cylinders 40 inches diameter, 2 feet 6 inches stroke, common Jet Condensers, in good working order. All connections complete, with 62 feet of 7½ inches Shafting, and two Propellers 10 feet 6 inches diameter; have been in use for a few years.

For Particulars, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

364 Hongkong, 4th March, 1875.

J. AND R. TENNENT'S ALE and PORTER.

DAVID CORSAR & SONS'

Merchant Navy
Navy Boiled
Long Flax
Crown
} CANVAS.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

tf 1180 Hongkong, 11th May, 1867.

Auctions.

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs. FERERRS, RODATZ & Co., to Sell by Public Auction,

THIS DAY,

the 12th March, 1875, at 11 o'clock A.M., on the Premises, Scott Lane,—

Their Entire STOCK-IN-TRADE, FIXTURES, FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

CANVAS.
3 and 4 Stranded Europe ROPE.
Bolt ROPE, SEIZING STUFF, MARLINE, &c., &c.
Manila ROPE, 1½ to 3½ inches.
Paint BRUSHES, BLOCKS, &c.
Cases Leibig's Extract of MEAT, in ½ and 1 lb. Jars.
PRESERVES of all descriptions.
PICKLES, in 2 doz. Cases.
CURRANTS, PRESERVED MEATS, SAUSAGES, &c.
Deli Smoking TOBACCO.
Norwegian, Sonderburg, and Kitzingen BEER, CHAMPAGNE, Best Pale SHERRY.
Henker's GIN, BRANDY, Angostura BITTERS.

And

Sundry other GOODS.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

353 Hongkong, 3rd March, 1875.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will Sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Rooms, Queen's Road,

THIS DAY,

the 12th instant, at Noon,—

SAUCE, SALAD OIL, VINEGAR, CAPERS, SALMON, MACCARONI, JAM, ARROWROOT, MUSTARD, &c., &c.
2 Half-chests SOUCHONG TEA.
1 " OOLONG TEA.
13 " Fine SOUCHONG TEA.
White Cotton SHIRTS, LAMPS, CLOCKS.
Foolscap PAPER, ENVELOPES, Black LEAD.
A MICROSCOPE, in Mahogany Case.
A REVOLVING STEREOSCOPE, with 96 VIEWS.
2 Patent English-made Platform SCALES, with Weights.

And
(On account of the concerned,)—

GDO / P } 8 Cases Pints Löwen BIER.
P&F, 45 " Quarts " "

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

396 Hongkong, 10th March, 1875.

POSTPONEMENT OF SALE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from L. MALLORY, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, at Wanchi,

TO-MORROW,

the 13th March, 1875, at 11 o'clock A.M.,—

10 PONTOONS, used in floating the P. M. S. S. Co.'s Steamer *Alaska* off from the Beach near Aberdeen; lying off Messrs. S. E. BURROWS & SONS' Godown, Wanchai.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

382 Hongkong, 8th March, 1875.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, at the Godowns of Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., Wanchai,

TO-MORROW,

the 13th March, 1875, at Noon,—

42 Bales, HAY.
100 Piculs HOOP IRON.
ANGLE IRON.
COPPER BARS.
COPPER PIPING.
ENGINEERS' TOOLS.

And

SUNDRY ARTICLES.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

383 Hongkong, 8th March, 1875.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

A. McDONALD AND OTHERS
v.
J. McDONALD AND ANOTHER.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,
Under a Decree of the said Court,
On the Premises,
ON A DAY TO BE NAMED,
of which Notice will be given,—

All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND, situate, lying, and being at Victoria in the Island of Hongkong, abutting on the North side thereof on the Praya, and measuring thereon One hundred feet; on the South side thereof on a Public Road, and measuring thereon One hundred and twelve feet; on the East side thereof on a close registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot Number One hundred and eighty-five, and measuring thereon Two hundred and ninety-two feet; and on the West side thereof on a Public Street, and measuring thereon Three hundred and forty feet, which said Piece or Parcel of GROUND contains in the whole Thirty-one thousand six hundred square feet, and is registered in the Land Office as Marine Lot Number One hundred and eighty-four. For the unexpired term of Nine hundred and ninety-nine years commencing from Twenty-fifth day of June, 1861, at a Yearly Crown Rent of $240; with the PATENT SLIP thereon, and all WORKING GEAR connected with the same, and all the BUILDINGS erected thereon, comprising Dwelling House, Machine and Blacksmith's Shops and Engine House.

The above will be offered in One Lot, which will include the GOODWILL of the Business now carried on at the West Point Patent Slip.

And,

At the same time and place, will be Sold the STEAM TUG *Blue Bell*, measuring 75 feet over all, 14 ft. 6 in. Beam, 7 ft. 6 in. Hold, in complete order, built of TEAK throughout and COPPER FASTENED.

Also,

The STOCK, comprising:—

Copper Bars and Plates. Yellow Metal. Round, Square, Plate, Bar and Angle Iron.

Boiler Tubes, Rivets, Nuts and Bolts. Blacksmith's tools, Forges, Bellows and Anvils, Taps and Djes. Copper and Iron Nails. Brass Screws, Chains of various sizes, Steel, &c., &c.

And,

A QUANTITY OF TIMBER.

The Slip can receive vessels of 1,500 tons, and has docked a vessel of 1,400 tons capacity, *and is in complete working order.*

TERMS OF SALE FOR THE MARINE LOT, PATENT SLIP AND BUILDINGS.—One half of the purchase money to be paid on the fall of the hammer, and balance on completion of the Deed of Transfer of the Leasehold Property, the expenses of which to be paid by the purchaser. Before the delivery of the other Lots, Cash must be paid in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots with all faults and errors of description to be at purchaser's risk from the fall of hammer, and subject to the approval of the Court.

Further Particulars can be obtained from Messrs. CALDWELL and BRERETON, Solicitors, 29, Queen's Road.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

227 Hongkong, 9th February, 1875.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

HORSES, PONIES, CARRIAGES, &c.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,

THIS DAY,

the 12th March, 1875, at 4.30 P.M., opposite the CITY HALL,—

The following Celebrated NORTH CHINA RACING PONIES:—
"MONITOR,"
"TARANTULA,"
"JOINT ACCOUNT,"
"CORONER."

The Grey Manila PONY "MICHAEL E. BRASCO."

Also,

An English-made WAGGONETTE, in perfect order, with the Fine Australian HORSE "PICK-AXE."

Horse CLOTHING, Racing SADDLES, &c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

398 Hongkong, 10th March, 1875.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from THOS. GILBERT, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction,

TO-MORROW,

the 13th day of March, 1875, at 2 o'clock P.M., at his Residence, High Street, West Point,—

The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising TABLES, CHAIRS, COUCHES, MIRRORS, ENGRAVINGS, LAMPS, CLOCKS, SIDEBOARD, WHAT-NOTS, CROCKERY WARE, GLASS WARE, PLATED WARE, BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES, CHESTS of DRAWERS, Toilet TABLES, WASHSTANDS and SERVICES, &c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

387 Hongkong, 9th March, 1875.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

In re PESTONJEE ASPUNDIARJEE METTA, *a Bankrupt.*

NOTICE is hereby given, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the said PESTONJEE ASPUNDIARJEE METTA, late of Victoria, Merchant, will be held pursuant to the 151st Section of the Bankruptcy Ordinance, in the Supreme Court House, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of March, 1875, at Eleven o'clock in the forenoon, before the Honorable WILLIAM HASTINGS ALEXANDER, Registrar of the Supreme Court, the Officer appointed by the Court sitting in Bankruptcy.

Proofs of Debts will be received, and Creditors who have not proved, or who shall not then prove, will be excluded from the benefit of any Dividend that may be declared, and all Claims not proved will be disallowed.

ED. SHARP & TOLLER,
Solicitors for Mr. LEONG ON,
The Creditors' Assignee.

Supreme Court House,
Hongkong, 11th March, 1875. [10d 402

NOTICE.

DENT & Co.'s ESTATE.

A FIFTH and FINAL DIVIDEND of 0.72 per cent. on all CLAIMS against the above Estate admitted by the Trustees will be paid at their Office, No. 7, Peddar's Hill, on the 25th day of March, 1875.

1m 393 Hongkong, 9th March, 1875.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS for the DIVIDEND to 31st Dec., 1874, at the Rate of $10 per Share, can be obtained at the Secretary's Office on and after MONDAY, 1st March.

By Order,
R. DUNCAN,
Secretary.

Club Chambers,
Hongkong, 24th February, 1875. [35d 327

OFFICE OF THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED.)

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

CONTRIBUTORS of business to the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned, on or before the 15th inst., with a Memo. of Premia Contributed during the year ended 31st October last, in order that the percentage on the Two-thirds (2/3rds) of the Profits for the said year, set aside for them, may be arranged.

After the above date the Accounts will be adjusted in Conformity with the Books of the Company, and no alteration made.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

11d 365 Hongkong, 4th March, 1875.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE DIVIDEND of Dollars One Hundred and Fifty ($150) per Share, declared at the Ninth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders held this day, will be payable on and after TO-MORROW, the 20th inst.

Dividend Warrants can be had at the Office of the Company, No. 48, Queen's Road, on application.

By Order,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.

1m 300 Hongkong, 19th February, 1875.

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NOTICE TO SHIP MASTERS.

OPIUM AND SPIRITS FARMS IN COCHIN-CHINA.

IN Pursuance of the Ordinances enacted by the Governor, Intimation is hereby given that Ship Masters have to make known at the Harbour-master's or Farmers' Offices, on their arrival in Saigon, any quantity of Opium or Spirits of any kind which may have been shipped on board of their Vessels, failing which they are liable to the Penalties specified therein.

(Ord. 5, Oct., 1871, Art. VII., XVI., XVII.)
(" 13, Sept., 1873, " XIII.)

Les Fermiers de l'Opium et des Alcools.
BANHAP & CIE.

Vu le Président du Conseil d'Admon,
A. SPOONER.

6m 106 Saigon, January, 1875.

CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date, a brokerage of Thirty-three and one-third per cent. (33⅓ /.) will be allowed by this Agency on risks to ports in CHINA, JAPAN, the PHILIPPINES, and the STRAITS.

On risks to all other ports, the brokerage will be ten per cent. (10 /.) only.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.

tf 131 Hongkong, 21st January, 1874.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

TENDERS will be received by the Undersigned on or before MONDAY, the 15th instant, at Noon, for the CONVEYANCE to ENGLAND, (subject to the Provisions and Stipulations contained in H. M.'s Transport Regulations, which can be seen at this Office), by STEAMER proceeding through the Suez Canal, of the following:—

1 1st-Class Passenger.
32 3rd-Class Passengers (with the option to extend this number by 3 or 4.)
4 Women.
14 Children.

Further Particulars can be obtained on application.

JOHN BREMNER,
Naval Storekeeper.

H. M. Naval Yard,
Hongkong, 8th March, 1875. [7d 385

NOTICE.

THE Government of Macao and Timor, in order to establish Regular Communications between this Colony and Timor by means of Vessels propelled by Steam (Steamers), invites Companies or Parties desiring to contract for the above Navigation to forward their TENDERS to the Macao Secretary's Office, till the 31st instant.

In the Tenders are to be stated the number of trips they intend to make from Macao to Timor and *vice-versa*, and the Subsidy they require for the enterprise.

HENRIQUE DE CASTRO,
General Colonial Secretary.

Macao, Colonial Secretary's Office,
4th March, 1875. [23d 386

HONGKONG ATHLETIC SPORTS.

IN Consequence of the small number of Entries for the above, the Meeting advertised for the 13th instant will not take place, but the Committee of the Garrison Sports have kindly consented to include the following "OPEN" RACES in their Meeting on 29th and 30th instants.

100 yards, 300 yards (Handicap), 440 yards, Half Mile (Handicap), and One Mile, Flat Races; and 200 yards Hurdle Race.

P. RHODES,
Hon. Sec.

400 Hongkong, 11th March, 1875.

HONGKONG DISTILLERY.

THE Undersigned begs to notify that the Distillery has again COMMENCED WORKING, and he is prepared to supply any quantity of RUM, or SPIRITS of WINE, at MODERATE PRICES.

JOHN JACK.

1m 390 Hongkong, 10th March, 1875.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Yearly General MEETING of the Chamber will be held on MONDAY, March 22nd, at 3 o'clock p.m., at the Rooms of the Chamber, City Hall, to receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of the Secretary's accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1874.

By order,
A. NOEL BLAKEMAN,
Secretary.

14d 397 Hongkong, March 9th, 1875.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED.)

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Fourth Ordinary MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 25th March, 1875, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1874.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.

18d 378 Hongkong, 8th March, 1875.

CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that an EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of the Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, No. 6, Nankin Road, Shanghai, on MONDAY, the 5th April next, at 3 P.M., to consider certain alterations to be proposed in Clause No. 90 of the Deed of Settlement, with a view to extend the Directors' powers in investing the Company's funds.

By Order of the Directors,
JOHN DUNN,
Acting Secretary.

42d 313 Shanghai, 18th February, 1875.

A RESPECTABLE MARRIED WOMAN wishes to go to England as LADY'S MAID, or NURSE to Children. Good References. Address "H. B." *Daily Press* Office.

14d 380 Hongkong, 8th March, 1875.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has chartered the Bark *Kwik*, Captain LORONGE. Goods have been shipped in her consisting of CAMPHOR TRUNKS, MATTINGS, TEA, White Sugar BAGS, CIGARS, Manila ROPE, and SUNDRIES. She will sail direct to Honolulu on the 1st of April, and she is consigned to the CHEW LAN Shop at that Port. The Undersigned begs to request the Public to give Patronage to him at that Port.

WING YUEN LOY.

15d 391 Hongkong, 10th March, 1875.

NOTICE.

THE Offices of the Undersigned, and His Netherlands Majesty's Consulate, have this day been REMOVED to the Premises formerly occupied by Messrs. BOURJAU & Co., Praya, 2A.

EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.

1m 344 Hongkong, 1st March, 1875.

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1m 284 Hongkong, 18th February, 1875.

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3m 2114 Hongkong, 15th December, 1874.

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138 Hongkong, 22nd January, 1875.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

THE Company's Steamship

"TANAIS,"

Captain Reynier, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA TO-DAY, the 12th inst., at 5 P.M.

C. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent.

407 Hongkong, 12th March, 1875.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAKAO, TAIWANFOO, SHANGHAI, AND NEWCHWANG.

THE Steamship

"CONSOLATION,"

Captain Cormack, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 13th instant, at noon.

For Freight, apply to

BIBLEY & Co.,
Agents.

2d 406 Hongkong, 11th March, 1875.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

THE Company's Steamship

"IRAOUADDY,"

Captain Lecointre, will be despatched for SHANGHAI TO-MORROW, the 13th inst., at 4 P.M.

C. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent.

408 Hongkong, 12th March, 1875.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, TAMSUI, AND TAKAO.

THE Steamship

"HAI-LOONG,"

Captain Abbott, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 13th inst., at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

3d 404 Hongkong, 11th March, 1875.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Steamship

"KWANGTUNG,"

Captain Pitman, will have immediate despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 405 Hongkong, 11th March, 1875.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE British Steamship

"CHINA,"

Captain T. S. Gardner, will leave this for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 18th instant, at 3 P.M.

Despatches will close at 2.30 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

7d 409 Hongkong, 12th March, 1875.

NOTICE.

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TAIT & Co.

7d 410 Amoy, 2nd March, 1875.

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1m 411 Macao, 11th March, 1875.

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tf 283 Singapore, 10th February, 1875.

Notices to Consignees.

S. S. *IRAOUADDY.*
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. *Gange*, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed, that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risks at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained from SATURDAY, the 13th inst., at 10 A.M.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before 5 P.M. TO-DAY.

Bills of Lading will be Countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods unclaimed after TUESDAY, the 16th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

C. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent.

412 Hongkong, 11th March, 1875.

THE S. S. *CHINA*, FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed and stored at their risk and expense.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

6d 384 Hongkong, 8th March, 1875.

GERMAN BARK *PAPA*, FROM HAMBURG.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

WIELER & Co.

341 Hongkong, 1st March, 1875.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery; this Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No fire insurance has been effected.

C. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent.

Ex "Donnai," 2nd July, 1874.
FD, 1/35, ... 35 cases Beer.
Ex "Amazone," 29th January, 1875.
GM in diamond, J N 1256/57, } ... 2 cases Merchandise.
Ex "Ava," 12th February, 1875.
JM&C No. 3, ... 1 case Merchandise.
Ex "Hoogly," 23th February, 1875.
H / Sweet Port } ... 10 casks Wine.
PG. $325 ... ... 1 case Merchandise.
PL&C, 370/78, ... 9 casks Wine.
379/402, ... 24 cases do.
H&C / W&B 325/29 } ... 5 cases Merchandise.
AK&C / B } ... 14 cases do.
DROMEL, Nos. 4/6 ... 2 casks Wine.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1875.

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Hongkong, 2nd January, 1875.

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Hongkong, 1st February, 1875.

MARRIAGES.

On the 21st January, at Stratford-on-Avon, CADDESS GRANT, of Swatow, China, to EMILY, second daughter of Arthur Hodgson, of Eton Vale, Queensland, and Clapton, Warwickshire.

On the 21st Jan., at St. George's, Camberwell, by the Rev. Samuel Smith, FRANCIS WILLIAM, eldest and only surviving son of F. W. Mitchell, Esq., Postmaster General, of Hongkong, to LOTTIE, eldest daughter of P. L. Carman, of Camberwell.

On the 21st Jan., at St. Giles's Church, Camberwell, by the Rev. Clement Smith, brother of the bridegroom, assisted by the Rev. E. A. Causton, brother-in-law of the bride, FREDERICK BURGESS SMITH, of Canton, China, eldest son of the late Henry Smith, of the War-office, to MARIA VICTORIA, youngest surviving daughter of the late Thomas Darcy, of The Grove, Camberwell.

The Daily Press

HONGKONG, MARCH 12TH, 1875.

OUR correspondent in Formosa has forwarded to us fuller particulars of the surprise of Chinese troops by Formosan aborigines. His account, which will be found in another column, shows that the first estimate of the losses of the troops was, as it usually is in such cases, somewhat over-estimated, but the fact remains that they fell into an awkward ambuscade and sustained a serious reverse. The commander of the detachment behaved, it appears, very gallantly, and "bravely fighting fell." The troops had been despatched to avenge the murder of two officers, who had been waylaid and killed in the vicinity of the little village of Hong-kong. But the savages had evidently got scent of the coming danger, probably, as it is alleged, by the agency of some Chinese traders, and they cleared out and prepared a too successful ambush for the Celestial soldiers on their return. Evidently the aborigines hold the Chinese forces in little awe. They are a hardy, powerful, and courageous people, though they are savages, and are not deficient in cunning. The Chinese Government will have great trouble in subduing them. They will only succeed in doing so by pouring great numbers of troops into the island. At present the aborigines are as much a thorn in the side to the Chinese as the indomitable Picts and Scots were to the Romans. They will hardly, however, adopt a similar means of guarding against their assaults. Neither would a wall prove effectual to repel them.

We are not aware that anything has as yet been done to punish the natives. The authorities are, it is probable, waiting instructions from the Governor of the province. If they are wise they will take the opportunity of invading that part of the island hitherto surrendered to the aborigines, and instead of perpetrating a wholesale butchery of the inhabitants—a butchery in which the innocent and helpless are invariably the chief victims—try to bring them into submission to Chinese rule by planting garrisons in every important village and taking such other active steps as will assure the people that nothing remains for them but to accept the yoke of China with the best grace they can. So long as the Peking Government continue to misgovern the island, and allow their subjects to remain exposed to periodical pillage and murder, foreigners will regret that Formosa belongs to them; but there are few who would deny their title to rule it if they will only show a genuine desire and intention of fulfilling the responsibilities attached to its possession. It is difficult to reduce to order and bring to reason a horde of savages, but much may be done by a judicious admixture of kindness and firmness. Much, too, may be effected by giving greater encouragement to increased colonisation from the mainland, while at the same time the great natural resources of the island would be much more rapidly and effectually developed.

GAMBLING is a vice to which the Chinese are peculiarly addicted. It amounts indeed with them to a passion, and is not confined to any age or class. Boys of tender age gamble away cash with more than the zest with which the London *gamins* enter into their beloved game of pitch and toss. The Celestial cares little for any but games of hazard, and he sits out half the night in the pursuit of his favourite amusement. Gambling is, however, a vice which is prolific of evils, and as such is strongly and rightly discountenanced in almost every civilised state. The unhappy man who has been fatuously hurried on to ruin through his inability to resist its fascinations has not infrequently been thereby tempted to commit theft, embezzlement, or forgery in order to attempt with the proceeds of his crime to retrieve his luck. Suicide is usually the last desperate resource of the gambler, and then a starving widow and band of children are thrown upon the mercies of the world.

In this colony the police make frequent raids upon the Chinese gamblers, and again and again detachments of them figure in the police court. But it is not easy to suppress the practice altogether. It is carried on with much craft and secrecy, and hence it is to be feared that all the prosecutions fail to put it down to any large extent. Still there is no doubt much good is effected in this direction and the evil reduced in some measure by the efforts made by the police authorities. It appears that it is exceedingly rife in San Francisco, and there is reason to believe that the police there are subsidised to allow of its being quietly carried on. An intelligent Mongolian, named MA SEE, has been speaking in that city on the subject. He deplores the fact that so many gambling houses are allowed to do business in San Francisco. They draw, he says, thieves and gamblers together, and "bring curses upon his people." He goes on to comment on the corruptness of the police, and remarks—"It is true there are special policemen whose duty it is to arrest the gamblers and close the gambling houses, but the government of the city know that for four dollars per week to each policeman the proprietors of each house buy the police to let them alone." This state of things, if not exaggerated, is eminently disgraceful to the great port of the Pacific, and the sooner the authorities there set to work to put down such glaring corruption the better for their own reputation. It is, at the same time, satisfactory to find a Chinaman with courage and/manliness enough to denounce a national vice and the secret encouragement given to it in the city of his adoption. We trust the evil will soon receive at the hands of the Government the attention it requires.

The Saigon *Independant* announces that a tiger has been killed lately at the village of Cau-Kho.

Vice-Admiral Eyder arrived in the despatch boat *Vigilant* yesterday at noon, and was received with the usual salutes. He landed officially in the afternoon under a salute from the shore battery, and visited the Acting Governor.

The Band of H.M.'s 80th Regiment will perform, this evening, the following programme:—

Quick March "La Jolie Parfumense" ..... Offenbach.
Overture..... "Le Macon" ..... Auber.
Selection..... "Barbe Bleue" ..... Offenbach.
Priest's War March from "Athalie" ..... Mendelssohn.
Potpourri .... "Musical Tour thro' Europe" Conradi.
Valse ..... "Wiener Blut" ..... Strauss.
"God Save the Queen."

W. W. FRAYLING, Bandmaster.

H.M.S. *Dwarf*, 4, double-screw composite gun-vessel, Commander the Hon. Edward G. Dawson, arrived at Shanghai from Hongkong, on Thursday, the 4th instant, after, as we (*N. C. Daily News,*) are informed, the unprecedentedly long passage of eighteen days. The ship seemed unable to make headway against the monsoon, and on some days made as much leeway as progress. She was obliged to put into Amoy to coal. The *Dwarf* was recommissioned in November last at Hongkong, and this was her first trip afterwards. It is not the first time that similar complaints have been made respecting vessels of the *Dwarf* class; and although it may be well to utilise them now they are here, it would seem wiser to keep them in one place as guardboats, than to move them about—especially against advers monsoons.

A rifle match took place on the 10th instant, at Kowloon, between eleven members of the Police Shooting Club, and eleven sergeants of H.M.'s 80th Regiment, at 200, 300, and 400 yards, the former shooting with Police carbines, the latter with the long Snider rifle. Subjoined are the total scores:—

POLICE.		SOLDIERS.	
Insp. Whitbread	42	Sergt. Harcourt	44
P. C. Toomey	42	" Halford	43
Sergt. Thomson	41	" Pendry	41
P. C. Taylor	40	" Shore	36
" Nealson	38	" N. Jones	34
" Bow	35	" Cameron	34
Insp. Orley	34	" Booth	34
" Dodds	34	" J. Jones	34
Sergt. Cameron	34	" Carline	33
P. C. Grant	34	" Day	32
" McClennan	30	" Grantley	24
	404		389

An extraordinary issue of the *Government Gazette* was published yesterday containing notifications connected with the departure of His Excellency the Governor. The first is to the effect that "His Excellency Governor Sir Arthur Edward Kennedy, K.C.M.G., C.B., having this day departed for England on leave of absence, it is hereby notified that, in accordance with instructions received from Her Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the Colonies, and under provision made by the Royal Charter of Hongkong, this Government will be administered" by the Hon. J. Gardner Austin until further orders. The following appointments have been made provisionally and until further notice by the officer administering the Government:—The Honourable Cecil Clementi Smith to be Acting Colonial Secretary and Auditor-General; Charles May, Esq., to be Acting Treasurer; Malcolm Struan Tonnochy, Esq., to be Acting Registrar-General and Acting Coroner; George Lazenby Tomlin, Esq., to be Acting Superintendent of Victoria Gaol; and James Russell, Esq., to be Private Secretary to the Officer Administering the Government.

We take the following items from the *London and China Express*:—

The death of Deputy-Inspector General R. T. C. Scott, who served in the *Hastings*, flagship, on the China station, is announced. He was ill only three days.

The negotiations for the formation of a company to lay down a railway between Saigon and Camboja have not yet resulted in anything definite.

The Russian Councillor of State and Chamberlain, M. Charles de Struve, Charge d'Affaires and Consul-General of Russia in Japan, has been appointed resident minister.

Captain von Eisendecker has been appointed German Minister Resident and Consul-General in Japan.

Mr. Charles G. Leland has in the press a work entitled "Fu-Sang, or the Discovery of America by Chinese Buddhist Priests in the Fifth Century." It will be published in London and New York simultaneously.

The Royal Geographical Society and the Astronomical Society have decided that they will not despatch a special mission to Bangkok to observe the sun's eclipse next April, but will co-operate with the Royal Society in their mission.

A Pamphlet has been issued to members of Parliament and others on the "Hongkong Blockade Question," with a circular from Mr. Granville Sharp, who acted as secretary to the meeting held at the City Hall in Hongkong. This subject is still under the consideration of Government.

The death of Brevet-major J. Sweeny, of the Royal Artillery, is announced. He served in the China Expedition of 1840-42, including the capture of Chusan, the attack on Chuenfee, the capture of the Bocca Tigris Forts, the storming and capture of the heights above Canton, of Amoy, Chusan, Chinhae, Ningpo, the repulse of the night attack, the attack and capture of the enemy's entrenched camp on the heights of Segoan, of Chapoo, Woosung, Shanghai, and Chinkiang-foo, and the landing before Nanking.

At the last sitting of the French Academie des Inscriptions et Belle-Lettres, on the 22nd January, two memoirs, one on Formosa and Lim-kin Islands, the other on the Ethnology of Central and Southern China, were received from M. Hervey de St. Denys, the well-known Chinese scholar and Professor at the Collège de France. M. E. Renan presented to the Academy the first French-Cambogian dictionary ever published. Its author, M. Aymonier, is a young officer in the French army, stationed at Saigon. It is, according to M. Renan, a conscientious work, and calculated to supply useful materials to philological science.

In the course of next month shipments of about 200 tons of bronze coinage will be made to Bangkok on behalf of the Siamese Government. The coins, which have been made by Messrs. Watt and Co., Birmingham, are very neat; the larger represents 1-32 of a tical, and corresponds in size and value to our penny. The smaller coins are halves and quarters. The introduction of this coinage, which will be an immense boon to the Siamese, in place of the paper currency, is due to Mr. Mason, the Consul in London.

A decree of the President of the French Republic, dated 21st inst., establishes a bank of issue, loan, and discount for the French colonies of Cochin China and India, under the style of "Bank of Indo-China." The privilege is conceded for twenty years to a joint-stock company. The Bank of Indo-China is empowered to make advances on the security of merchandise and crops, as under the law of 24th June last on colonial banks, and submitted to the control of the commission on colonial banks instituted by the said law.

On the 27th January, when the adjourned case against J. F. H. Trautmann, late of Shanghai, was again called on, the charge was withdrawn, the prosecuting counsel admitting that circumstances which had transpired since the adjournment rendered that course absolutely necessary. All imputations against the defendant were also withdrawn.—Mr. Poland said the defendant had been brought to the Court under a complete misapprehension of the circumstances, and there was not the slightest foundation for the charge.—The Lord Mayor said it was a proper case for enquiry, and he was glad that it had resulted in the defendant entirely freeing himself of the charge made against him. He dismissed the summons.

Mr. H. D. P. Cunningham, J.P., of Gosport, died recently. He entered the navy in 1830, served in China in 1841, and at the Cape in 1845, where he was appointed secretary to the Commander-in-Chief. Mr. Cunningham distinguished himself by many inventions in connection with naval science and with saving life at sea. His most important invention, and that for which he is best known, is the "system of reefing topsails from the deck." He served under Sir William Parker, and took part in the various operations conducted by that officer on the coast of China. In the attack on the enemy's entrenched camp on the heights of Segoan, on the 15th March, 1842, he was "one of the foremost in the assault," and displayed conduct so spirited as to obtain for him mention of conspicuous gallantry in the despatches of Sir William Parker and Sir Hugh Gough, as well as in a special letter written by the former to the Admiralty. He was also present at the attack upon Chapoo, the batteries of Woosung, and the town of Chin Kiang Foo, and the pacification of Nanking.

DEPARTURE OF THE GOVERNOR FOR ENGLAND.

Sir Arthur Kennedy and Miss Kennedy, accompanied by Captain O'Callaghan (aide-de-camp) left for England by the M.M. steamer *Ava* at noon yesterday. His Excellency's departure has been occasioned by private business of an urgent nature. Shortly before eleven o'clock a detachment of the 80th Regiment, headed by the Band, and under the command of Col. A. Bassano, C.B., was drawn up on the Praya in front of Pedder's Wharf. His Excellency, Miss Kennedy, and Captain O'Callaghan arrived soon afterwards and were received with a royal salute, the band playing "God Save the Queen." A large number of gentlemen assembled to bid the party farewell, and among them we observed, Sir John Smale, Sir Brooke Robertson, Hon. J. G. Austin, Hon. J. Bramston, Hon. C. C. Smith, Hon. J. Whittall, Hon. H. Lowcock, Hon. W. H. Alexander, Baron de Overbeck, Captain Deane, Mr. Tonnochy, Mr. Russell, Mr. Hayllar, Q.C., Mr. Lister, Mr. Travers, Rev. H. Kidd, Dr. Ayres, Rev. J. Lamont, Dr. Eitel, Mr. Pyke, Mr. Lemann, Mr. Sassoon, Mr. Belilios, Mr. E. Sharp, &c., &c. As the party embarked in the barge which lay alongside, a salute was fired from the shore battery, and others followed from the different vessels in the harbour. His Excellency was received on the *Ava* by Mr. Bertrand, the agent of the Company, and Commander Elburnie. A number of the gentlemen mentioned above, and Admiral Ryder, who had just arrived in the *Vigilant*, came on board subsequently, to wish the party a pleasant voyage—a wish in which we are sure all in the Colony join. The *Ava* steamed away punctually at twelve o'clock.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Legislative Council met yesterday afternoon. There were present:—

H.E. J. G. AUSTIN, Administrator.
Hon. Sir J. SMALE, Chief Justice.
Hon. C. C. SMITH, Acting Col. Secretary.
Hon. J. BRAMSTON, Attorney General.
Hon. C. MAY, Acting Colonial Treasurer.
Hon. W. H. ALEXANDER.
Hon. P. RYRIE.
Hon. J. WHITTALL.
Hon. H. LOWCOCK.

The Clerk of Councils (Mr. LISTER) read the minutes of last meeting, which were passed.

THE ADMINISTRATOR.

The Hon. J. G. AUSTIN was sworn in as administrator of this Colony.

THE COLONIAL TREASURER.

Hon. C. MAY was then sworn in as Colonial Treasurer.

THE NAVAL YARD POLICE.

HIS EXCELLENCY said that, as Admiral Ryder had given notice of his intention to land, and as hon. members would perhaps wish to leave early, they would deal only with the ordinance respecting the naval police, and adjourn. He then moved that the Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to provide means for enforcing good order and discipline in the Police Force employed in the Royal Naval Yard, be read a second time.

The Council then went into committee on the bill.

Hon. C. MAY thought the rules and regulations to be framed by the Commodore should be submitted to and approved by the Governor in Council, or there might perhaps be a clashing of authority.

A discussion of some length ensued, in the course of which several of the members agreed with Mr. May, while others considered that the naval authorities should have the independent control of their police. It was ultimately agreed that the further consideration of the Ordinance should stand over, the Attorney General, in the meantime, to draw up a clause which might carry out the views of both parties.

MARRIAGES IN HONGKONG.

HIS EXCELLENCY moved the first reading of an Ordinance entitled: "An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to provide a general Register of Marriages celebrated in Hongkong."

The ATTORNEY GENERAL said a very few observations would be necessary to inform the Council of the main object of the bill. The details he would not trouble them with, as they were in a great degree taken up with formal matters. The main object of the bill was to establish an official and complete record of all marriages celebrated in the Colony. The advisability of this was evident to everyone. The law, at present, was very defective. The existing ordinance was copied from a similar act in England which only extended so far. By it a marriage might be celebrated by all ministers in holy orders, while ministers of dissenting denominations were precluded from marrying persons except in the presence of the registrar. It was unjust and unequal to draw these distinctions between the several denominations of the Christian Church, and it was proposed by the Ordinance now introduced to place all on the same footing in this respect. It provided that whatever records were now kept by the different Churches should be handed over to the Registrar-General either in the original, or in a copy, so that it might be ascertained at the Registrar-General's office what marriages had taken place in the Colony. The Governor might defray from the revenue all expenses connected with procuring copies. Then there were provisions of the notice to be given to the Registrar-General, the publication of that notice, and a certificate by him of these formalities having taken place before any person could be married, unless under special licence from the Governor, who could give a licence in special cases without notice and without formality, provided he is satisfied there is sufficient cause. Clause 27 was of special importance for it provided that "no marriage shall be valid which would be null and void on the ground of kindred or affinity in England or Wales," so that in this respect they would stand on the same footing here as at home. A marriage shall be null and void if both parties knowingly and wilfully acquiese in its celebration contrary to certain provisions of the Ordinance, but no marriage would be deemed invalid if some of the minor matters had not been complied with.

The Ordinance was accordingly read a first time.

The Council then adjourned till Thursday afternoon next at 2.30.

POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

11th March.

BEFORE C. MAY, ESQ.

DRUNK.

W. Burns, charged with being drunk and incapable, was fined $1, and was ordered to make amends to a chair coolie.

A man named S. Morrison, charged with being drunk and damaging property to the extent of $1.50, was fined $1, and ordered to pay $1 for damages.

M. J. Shuster, steward at the Sailors' Home, charged J. McClean a seaman, with being drunk and breaking eight plates and a pane of glass at the Sailors' Home.

Prisoner was ordered to pay $2 amends for damage.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

J. de Jesus, clerk at the Aberdeen docks charged Chan Achung with the unlawful possession of three pounds of composition nails, having brought them from the bottom of the dry dock.

The prisoner was fined £5, or three months' imprisonment.

STEALING AN UMBRELLA.

Mr. A. Pizoto, a broker residing in Wellington street, charged Peeh Asing with stealing his umbrella.

The prisoner was discharged for want of evidence.

DRUNK AND INCAPABLE.

C. Cooper, a seaman on board the American ship *Ellen Munro*, charged with being drunk and not paying his chair hire, was fined 50 cents, and ordered to pay chair coolies 10 cents.

ASSAULT.

Lai Asee, a boatman, charged another named Fung Alak, with assaulting him.

The prisoner, who denied the charge, was fined $2.

LARCENY.

Yan Asang, a turncock, charged one Chang Ahe with stealing a pair of trowsers.

The prisoner admitted the charge, and was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

STEALING A PIPE.

Fong Tai Ho charged Chun Alok and another, with stealing a brass smoking pipe.

The prisoners were fined $5 each, or 14 days' imprisonment.

SNATCHING $30.

Chee Abyee, a money changer, charged a quilkor named Chung Ayun, with snatching from him a roll of $30 in silver at his stall on the Praya Central.

The prosecutor said he was in the act of writing on the roll the amount, when the prisoner came past and snatched it. He gave the alarm and the prisoner was caught by a Chinese District watchman six doors from his stall. He went up to him and the prisoner said, "Here is your roll of dollars."

District watchman No. 31 deposed to these facts, and the prisoner was sentenced to four months' hard labour.

SUSPICIOUS CASE.

Chan Akwai, a watchman, was apprehended by P.O. 533 coming over the hills at Kowloon before daylight, with ten jackets and three umbrellas in his possession, besides pawn tickets and other things. Inspector Burns charged him on suspicion with having stolen them, and asked to have the case remanded. This was granted till the 15th instant.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE,
Hongkong, March 11, 1875.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

SIR,—Will you permit me to say that my retirement from the Cathedral is not in the least owing to any "misunderstanding" or "personal feeling" between the Colonial Chaplain and myself. It arose because being a Bishop at least if not legally the Bishop of Victoria, I found I had no voice in the arrangement even of an afternoon service, at which I took upon myself the duty, at the request of the Colonial Chaplain, to preach a weekly sermon.

The effort that the Colonial Chaplain has made this week to induce me to return to the Cathedral, to which some remarks in the *China Mail* of Wednesday alluded, was meant in all kindness; but as I am just in the same position as regards the Cathedral as I was when our last arrangement was made and came to grief, it would be very unwise to risk a repetition of trouble.

It may save further discussion of a matter which has given me considerable annoyance if I state in this way (for no other way is open to me) that it is not my intention again to take a regular part in the services of the Cathedral until the position of the previous Bishops is it has in a proper manner been assigned to me. I came here with no desire for this, as my sermon at my installation sufficiently indicated. I wished only to be *courteously*, not *legally*, recognized. But the course that matters have taken left me no choice. The whole subject has been referred to the Home authorities by the Government here, and to the Archbishop by myself. Things must remain as they are till answers are received.

In the meantime I have all the means of usefulness that I desire both as regards my own fellow-countrymen and the Chinese. I purpose in a week or two, as soon as the new seats are ready, to open St. Paul's College Chapel for Divine Service in English on Sunday and Wednesday Evenings, at 6 o'clock, when I shall be happy to see as many of my fellow-countrymen and others as may care to come. Due notice will be given in the local papers.

Apologizing for trespassing so much on your space,

Believe me, Yours truly,
J. S. BURDON,
Bishop of Victoria.

The Paris *Liberté*, in its catalogue of the events of the year, states that during 1874 there died 19 sovereigns, chiefs of the state, or princes, French or foreigners; 64 politicians, functionaries, judges, or barristers; 22 prelates or ecclesiastics of high rank; 20 eminent scientific, or literary men; 43 dignitaries of the French army or navy; four celebrated French physicians or surgeons; nine great merchants and manufacturers; 12 journalists; 11 painters, draughtsmen, sculptors, or engravers; 19 musicians or dramatic performers; and 22 influential personages.

THE SLAUGHTER OF CHINESE TROOPS IN FORMOSA.

We have received from our correspondent further particulars of the affray between the Aborigines and Chinese troops on the 13th ultimo. He writes as follows:—

Some time in the month of January, two Chinese Military Officers, who were travelling down the coast in the direction of Lang-kiaou, were waylaid and murdered by the savages in the neighbourhood of the little village of Hong-kong, at a spot where the road leaves the shore and ascends the side of the mountain, which there runs down to the very edge of the sea. A regiment or portion of a regiment of soldiers from the Province of Hunan has been quartered at Hong-kong since the evacuation of the island by the Japanese; and upon it devolved the duty of avenging the murder of the two officers. Accordingly, early on the morning of the 13th of February two hundred of these troops, under the command of a Captain Wang, marched into the mountains to attack the village of the offenders. They met with no resistance on the way up, and on arriving at the village found that its inhabitants had almost all decamped. Warning of what was impending must have been given to the savages by some of the Chinese traders who keep on friendly terms with them, and supply them with the manufactured articles that they require. The few savages that were found in the village, chiefly old men, women, and children, were all put to the sword, and the village itself was burnt. The homeward march was then commenced. The soldiers, emboldened by the absence of all signs of resistance and not apprehending any danger, descended the narrow, winding valley in a long straggling line, not attempting to preserve any sort of order. After they had gone some distance, suddenly a large number of savages began firing upon them on all sides from the long grass and scrub through which the path passed. The Chinese continued their march as best they could, firing back upon the savages wherever the latter exposed themselves. A body of about twenty men were in immediate attendance on Captain Wang, acting, so to speak, as his bodyguard. Some of these being terrified and attempting to run, he cut down one or two of them himself, and by this means steadied the others. At one place, where the path runs through a narrow gorge, several of the Chinese were killed by stones rolled down on to them from an overhanging rock. After the fight had lasted some time, Captain Wang was struck by a bullet, but was still able to proceed, leaning on one of his men. The savages, seeing the commander wounded, made a general rush from all sides upon his party, and in the hand to hand fight that ensued he was killed, after having slain more than one of the assailants with his own hand. The attacks of the savages did not cease till the remnant of the Chinese soldiers reached the edge of the plain. The loss sustained by the Chinese was ninety odd killed. That of the savages was estimated at about thirty.

ARRIVAL OF THE FRENCH MAIL.

The Messageries Maritimes steamer *Iraouaddy*, Captain Lecointre, from Marseilles 3rd February, Singapore the 1st, and Saigon 6th instant, arrived here yesterday. The following telegrams have not been published here:—

(*From the Ceylon Observer.*)

LONDON, 12th Feb.

It is announced that Khan of Khiva has paid the remaining 18,000 roubles of war indemnity imposed by Russia.

Lord Elcho has introduced into Parliament a bill for creating a country (? central) Municipality of London.

PARIS, 11th Feb.

The Assembly, by 352 votes against 310, have decreed that the same electors shall choose both Senators and Deputies. This is considered to jeopardise the constitutional laws.

Don Alfonso has issued an order for a levy of 70,000 troops.

LONDON, 13th Feb.

The House of Commons has refused to suspend the issue of a writ for the Stroud election.

The British Expedition fitted out to observe the forthcoming eclipse of the sun in April, sailed last Thursday in the *Surat* for Galle and Singapore.

PARIS, 13th Feb.

Marshal MacMahon condemned the vote of the Assembly on Thursday on account of its depriving the Constitutional laws of their Conservative character.

The conflicting votes were owing to the abstention of the Legitimists in the earlier stages of the debate. All the deputies voted on the final issue.

LONDON, 16th Feb.

The lock-out of 25,000 weavers is announced from Dewsbury.

England has recognized Don Alfonso, who is about to return to Madrid.

Sir Arthur Kemball has been appointed British Commissioner for the Settlement of the Turko-Persian frontier.

PARIS, 15th Feb.

The Assembly has voted the revision of all the Bonapartist pensions.

Fresh projects for the creation of a Senate are being framed.

LONDON, 17th Feb.

The army estimates for 1875 amount to £13,500,000.

LONDON, 17th Feb.

A Select Committee has been appointed on the motion of Lord George Hamilton to enquiry into the working of the Compensation Scheme of 1866; it will consist of the following members:—Lord George Hamilton, Sir George Balfour, Colonel Jervois, Sir Henry Wolff, Sir Henry Havelock, Lord Elcho and Messrs. Fawcett, Brassey, Campbell, Bannerman, Denison and Hermon.

The Army Estimates provided for a total of 128,994 men, including 62,850 troops for India. There is a diminution of 773 men in the Staff Brigade Depots.

LONDON, 18th Feb.

The journal of St. Petersburg attributes the refusal of England to send a representative to the St. Petersburg Conference to reasons outside the subjects of the Brussels Conference.

Sir Garnet Wolseley proceeds to Natal to take over the administration (pending the arrival of a successor to Lieutenant-Governor Sir Benjamin Pine), and to advise upon several important points connected with native affairs.

The Royal Commission on Army Promotion held a meeting at the War Office yesterday.

King Alfonso has formally received the French, Russian, and Austrian Ambassadors.

New York, 19th Feb.

The weather throughout America has been intensely cold.

The Potomac and Chesapeake Rivers are frozen over. All Inland water communication is interrupted.

London, 20th Feb.

The Indian officers compensation committee met yesterday; an early termination of its labors is expected.

In the House of Commons Dr. Kenealy announced a motion relative to the Tichborne prosecution.

Lord George Hamilton, replying to Mr. Dalrymple, said that no despatch had yet been received concerning the Leave Rules of Indian Uncovenanted Civil Servants, but replying to a telegram from the India office, the Indian Government had announced that a despatch on this subject would be sent by next mail.

The Emperor of Germany is indisposed.

Rumours in Berlin state that Prince Bismarck contemplates retiring shortly.

LONDON, 21st Feb.

The Hon. Mr. Robert Hill Finlay has been gazetted Judge of the High Court, Bombay.

Mr. Marling, a Liberal, has been elected member for Stroud, defeating Viscount Bury.

INDIAN TELEGRAMS.

CALCUTTA, 10th Feb.

The capture of Herat by the Ameer's troops is announced on official information.

At the meeting of the Viceregal Council yesterday, the Merchant Seamen's Amendment Act and the Native Soldiers Rights' Bill passed.

Sir Jamsetjee Jeejeebhoy's Debt Bill and the Madras Salt Bill were referred to Committees.

MADRAS, 18th Feb.

Mr. Broughton, the Government Quinologist, is missing. He left Ootacamund in December for Madras with money. An accident is feared.

CALCUTTA, 18th Feb.

Troops have been ordered to the Naga country to punish the murderers of Lieut. Holcombe and others of Capt. Badgley's Survey Party.

The last Duffla captive has been given up: the troops are returning to Nursinpur.

BOMBAY, 20th Feb.

Mr. John Henry Wilson, Analyst and Consulting Chemist to the Bombay Manure Works Company, proceeds to Baroda to watch the Chemical evidence in coming trial.

ARRIVAL OF THE PACIFIC MAIL.

The P. M. Company's steamer *Colorado*, Captain N. C. Dearborn, with dates from San Francisco February 1st, and Yokohama 1st instant, arrived here yesterday morning. We take the following late news from the *Daily Alta*:—

AMERICA.

PACIFIC MAIL INVESTIGATION.

WASHINGTON, January 22nd.

Irwin continued his testimony before the Ways and Means Committee this morning. He said he engaged Schumaker without giving him a retaining fee, but understanding that he was to be paid $300,000 upon the passage of the bill, for his services in connection therewith. He never gave Schumaker instructions to take a fee out of this sum and return the balance to the Company. He never gave Schumaker instructions to pay any portion of the money to any person, as Schumaker's compensation was to be wholly contingent, and as witness considered him a man of ability he (witness) thought $300,000 a fair agreement for his services. Never reported to Stockwell that he had employed Schumaker, and never gave Schumaker any instructions whatever. Witness knows nothing of the Elmore transaction, or General Smith. He gave the $150,000 check to Wm. S. King in Philadelphia. Irwin then recited the sundry payments made by him in addition to those mentioned yesterday. Among them were $1,500 to John M. Morris of the *Chronicle*, $10,000 to $15,000 to Moran, for writting letters, etc., and $3,500 to ex-Postmaster-General Randall, for the special purpose of buying of the Washington agents of the combination of New York stock operators, who were fighting the Pacific Mail subsidy while it was before the Senate. This adverse combination was said to be headed by Daniel Drew, who, it was also said by misrepresentation, etc., incited Barlan, and through him six other Senators to oppose the bill. The amount paid Samuel Hatch, witness now remembers, was $3,000. Hatch was no relation of Rufus Hatch and was employed by the direction of Stockwell. A. N. Whiting was employed on account of his supposed ability to give valuable assistance; was given $5,000 in cash and was to receive $35,000 if the bill passed. He was a relative or connection of Senator Cole, who was and always had been friendly to the subsidy measure, but at that time did not feel particularly friendly to the Company, because he believed that they had worked against his reelection as Senator, and that Irwin had also exerted personal influence in California to his defeat. Witness desired to satisfy Cole that he and the Company and not interfered in the California Senatorial contest, and that the friendly relations with witness and several of Cole's opponents were purely personal. He also thought he would be likely to take a warm and active part in supporting the bill if Whiting was interested.

Irwin's examination here was suspended till Monday, as he is suffering from ill health.

WASHINGTON, January 25th.

The Ways and Means Committee to-day recalled Irwin and questioned him as to what service the various persons employed by him performed. He said John W. Forney was employed by the peremptory order of Stockwell. He was not employed to render any particular service, and witness don't know what he did. Forney was reluctant to accept the employment. He said he didn't think he was needed. W. B. Stow was employed by Stockwell at the instance of Henry Clewes. A. B. Corwine was also employed by Stockwell. Don't know of his doing anything. Ward and Bennett had accidentally stated the character of their services to witness.

Witness corrected errors made in regard to the amount paid Whiting. Whiting first demanded $100,000, and received a check for that amount, but finally compromised on $65,000, and returned $35,000. Witness himself selected and employed Schumaker, who fixed the amount of his fee, which, however, was wholly contingent on his success. He did not think Schumaker's charge unreasonable. He had himself been several times offered $100,000 for similar services and declined, and thought if he (witness) was worth that, Schumaker was worth what he got.

Witness was closely cross-examined with regard to his knowledge of the deposition of money by persons to whom he paid it, but he persisted in the statement that he knew nothing about it, and did not know of any Congressman charging for votes. Schumaker never intimated to witness that he could control any votes. Shaw was employed by Stockwell, in pursuance of an arrangement made by him, Shaw and Stockwell and Clews, with regard to pools in stock operations. It had nothing whatever to do with newspaper influence or with any other newspaper.

WASHINGTON, January 27th.

Irwin before the Committee on Ways and Means to-day read a statement showing that he received $850,000 on account of the subsidy with the exception of $50,000 which the Pacific Mail Company had given, but which he denied in the absence of vouchers; the balance unaccounted for is $65,000. A long examination followed, but nothing new was elicited concerning the five thousand dollars received by Don Piatt from Abert. Mr. Irwin testified that Piatt asked him for a loan of five thousand and offered his note. The money was subsequently handed to Piatt by Abert. The witness had no recollection of the manner in which this note was paid, but was under the impression that it was paid by a deposit to his credit in New York. In the course of his examination concerning the matter, Irwin advised the Committee to send for three or four of his clerks, who might be able to give the desired satisfaction, and sarcastically remarked that this would cost the Government more than $10,000.

Mr. Irwin was questioned regarding the part taken by John Rosch in promoting the passage of the subsidy, and testified that Rosch did not work for this subsidy especially, but only used his influence and made arguments before sundry Committees in behalf of American commerce. He generally claimed that the subsidy proposition, as first introduced, did not in express terms require that new ships should be built in this country. The witness was of the opinion that it would be better to have them constructed in America.

Mr. Wood asked him what he understood Stockwell to mean by saying that he wanted nothing left undone to insure success.

Witness replied that he understood he was to do everything necessary and proper; it was no part of this programme that he should corrupt members of Congress, and as a matter of fact, he did not endeavor to do so.

Question—Have you any belief that any part of this money was spent in corrupting Congress?

Answer—I have no belief on the subject. I have no evidence of sufficient basis of fact on which to form an opinion.

The witness further testified that with his knowledge and consent not

a nation friendly to the United States. Nor do we think England had good ground for her reclamations on Spain, but she is differently situated from the United States, because pirates who came to fight us in Cuba did not intend to sail under her colors. Spain has faithfully complied with the treaty made at Washington last year, shameful as it was, and the United States must make their reclamations in accordance with its provisions. It is stipulated that when the parties thereto disagree the points in dispute shall be submitted to arbitration. This is the best thing which can now be done in order to put a stop at once to the impertinent controversies.

EUROPE.

OPPOSED TO CHURCH DISESTABLISHMENT.

LONDON, January 27th.

The Marquis of Hartington made a speech to-night. He alluded to Mr. Bright's address at Birmingham, and said he could not agree to the views which it advanced in favor of the disestablishment of the Church of England. He declared that it was evident that the British people were not prepared for great changes in the Government.

HOME RULE WILL NOT PARTICIPATE WITH LIBERALS.

LONDON, January 28th.

The *Morning Post* says the Home Rule members have decided not to take part in the meeting for the election of a leader for the Liberal party.

GREENWICH ELECTORS EXPRESS REGRETS AT MR. GLADSTONE'S RETIREMENT.

LONDON, January 28th.

The electors of Greenwich, at a meeting to-night, adopted a resolution expressing in candid terms their confidence in Mr. Gladstone, and regretting his retirement from the leadership of the Liberal party.

BISHOP MANNING'S REPLY TO MR. GLADSTONE.

LONDON, January 30th.

Archbishop Manning has issued a pamphlet of 200 pages in reply to Mr. Gladstone. He maintains that the Vatican decrees have not changed the conditions of civil allegiance. The question of Catholicism is as undivided as that of any other Christian question; that the conscience alone could divide it. The recent descent has not extended the power of the Ecumenical Council; in no way touched the relations of the Church and State. Its decrees merely declared doctrine which were already matters of faith. The Pope cannot, therefore, by virtue of either of these decrees or his authority, make any claim upon his adherents of a nature to impair the integrity of their civil allegiance he cannot act contrary to Divine law; to impair civil allegiance would be contrary to that law. The spiritual character of the Church was indirect in its operation on temporal affairs. It indirectly condemns and declares, not binding such temporal laws as deviate from the law of "God," and therefore impedes the attainments of salvation. In regard to the supposition advanced in an argument that the Pope might attempt rebellion to depose the Queen of England, and other remarks that as the Queen is wholly withdrawn from the Catholic Church, every condition is wanting which would render such disposition justifiable. He declared that the European Powers have entered into a systematic conspiracy against the Church, and warns them that they are thereby wrecking themselves. In conclusion, he says Mr. Gladstone's pamplet invited Catholics to rebel against divine authority and encourages schism and heresy.

GARIBALDI ENTHUSIASTICALLY RECEIVED IN ROME.

ROME, January 25th.

Garibaldi has arrived here and has met with an enthusiastic reception. The working men drew his carriage through the streets, which were thronged by crowds who cheered him enthusiastically.

GARIBALDI IN THE ITALIAN PARLIAMENT.

ROME, January 26th.

General Garibaldi took his seat in Parliament yesterday amid enthusiasm. The members received him with cordial demonstrations.

A MASONIC TEMPLE IN ROME.

LONDON, January 30th.

A special from Rome says a Masonic Temple is to be inaugurated in that city early in February with very imposing ceremonies. Masonic dignitaries from Great Britain, France and Spain are expected to attend.

INTERVIEW BETWEEN EMANUEL AND GARIBALDI.

ROME, January 30th.

The interview to-day between General Garibaldi and King Victor Emanuel was of a most cordial character. Several topics were discussed, and General Garibaldi submitted to His Majesty a plan demonstrating the feasibility of improving the sanitary condition of the Campagna di Roma, a marshy province, formerly the richest and most populous part of Italy, but now almost destitute of inhabitants on account of the malaria arising from the marsh lands.

A CHINAMAN ON GAMBLING.

Ma See, an intelligent Mongolian, delivered an interesting address on the occasion of the fourth anniversary celebration of the Methodist Chinese Mission on the evening of the 27th Jan. He said that he had been in California for three years and was familiar with San Francisco. He did not like to see so many Chinese gambling houses allowed to do business in this city. These houses, he said, draw together many gamblers and thieves, and bring curses upon his people. It is true, he said, there are special policemen whose duty it is to arrest the gamblers and close these gambling houses, but the government of this city know that for four dollars per week to each policeman the proprietors of each house buy the police to let them alone. Some of these policemen get more money every year than the whole salary of the Governor of the State. He did not think such things are any credit to this country. It will be remembered that one of the Chinese Commissioners of Education, on the occasion of a recent visit to the city, was shocked at the gambling publicly carried on by the Chinese, and hinted that the special policmen were subsidized.—*Daily Bulletin.*

THE WESTERN CHINA ROUTE.

The Leeds Chamber of Commerce, at their meeting held on the 20th January, had the following notice:—That the subject of a route from Rangoon to Western China, proposed fourteen years ago by Captain Sprye, and in favour of which about six memorials have been sent up by this Chamber, has again had its attention, and a memorial has been sent to Lord Salisbury, urging the completion of the survey of the route. If practicable, the sooner it is opened up, and the sooner a market of almost incalculable capacity may be opened for our manufactures, and if impracticable, the sooner it is demonstrated to be so, the better. On all accounts it is desirable to finish the survey, and your council has the satisfaction of having received a favourable reply from his lordship. The matter, however, must not rest, and your council trusts our Parliamentary representatives will not fail to take note of the position of this subject from time to time.

The American papers announce the death of the Rev. Dr. James Walker, formerly President of Harvard University. Dr. Walker was born at Burlington, Massachusetts, in 1794. After having been in charge of the Unitarian Society of Charlestown, he was in 1839 made Alford Professor of Moral Philosophy at Harvard, and became President of the University in 1853. Dr. Walker was the author of several memoirs and sermons, and published editions of the philosophy of Reid and of Dugald Stewart. He was regarded for many years as the chief representative of the conservative Unitarians of New England.

"The son of his father" may well be said of Lord Houghton's only son, the Hon. Robert Offley Ashburton Milnes, who, following the precedent of the Lyttons, would seem to have inherited his father's literary and poetic tastes and talents. Mr. Milnes, who is a Harrow boy, barely 17 years of age, has won the gold medal, given annually at Harrow by Lord Charles Russell, for the encouragement of the study of Shakespeare. Meanwhile, Lord Houghton has not been idle; for he has written the very interesting, agreeable, and critical "Preface," to "The Works of Thomas Love Peacock," edited by Henry Cole, C.B., and just published, in three volumes, by Bentley and Son. Mr. Peacock will, probably, be best remembered as the author of "Headlong Hall." His productions, it must be confessed, are "caviare to the multitude"—as the Shakespearian Mr. Milnes might say; but his very eccentric "Gryll Grange," with his "Crotchet Castle," and "Nightmare Abbey," can find many admirers among students. As Shelley's intimate friend and biographer, Mr. Peacock will also be well remembered. We may add that he succeeded James Mill as Examiner in the Office of the East India Company, and that after holding the post for twenty years, he retired in 1856, and was succeeded by Mr. Stuart Mill.—*Figaro.*

ICE SIGNALS IN THE NORTH ATLANTIC.

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SERMONS FOR CHILDREN.

The charming sermon, remarks the *Illustrated London News*, preached by Dean Stanley to a congregation of little boys and girls in Westminster Abbey, on Innocents' Day, suggests to the reflective mind three very comfortable things—first, that we are growing much less superstitious than was formerly the case, since Innocents' Day used to be accounted the unluckiest anniversary in the whole year, and one on which parents scarcely ventured to let their children stay from home lest something unfortunate should happen to them; next, that Dean Stanley must be the most liberal of clerics, since he did not hesitate to introduce into his discourse a complimentary allusion to a three-volume novel by one George Eliot, entitled "Silas Marner;" finally, that children in the year 1874 have what the Americans term "a good time of it." In the days of old, birch brooms were in tremendous request on Innocents' Eve; and early in the morning of the day itself it was the practice to administer a sound whipping to all the children, great and small, in a household, in order that the cruelty of King Herod might never be effaced from their minds. A curious relic of this absurd custom lingered until lately in the South of France. The villagers on the roads in Provence, leading to the great *bagne* of Toulon, were accustomed to thrash their children whenever a chain gang of convicts passed by. It was thought that the punishment, combined with the sight of the shackled felons, would serve as a salutary warning and example to the rising generation. But convicts are now conveyed to their destination in cellular vans. The public are spared a repulsive spectacle, and the Provencal juveniles escape an unmerited castigation.

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1992 Hongkong, 2nd December, 1874.

NOTICE.

STEAMERS leaving this port requiring COAL, can obtain it from the Undersigned,

W. G. HALE & Co.,
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tf 1561 16th September, 1873.

NOTICE.

IN Order to meet the wishes of the Native Community, the Chinese Issue of this Paper has been, from the commencement of the China New Year, issued DAILY instead of on alternate days as before.

The Paper has been Established for nearly Twenty Years, and is, as to Editorial Management, under the Direction of a Well Educated Chinese Gentleman, gives reliable commercial and general information, and has the same position with the Native Community as to Advertisements and News as the English *Daily Press* with the Foreign Community. The Charge for Advertisements will be as heretofore.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1874.

Post-Office Notifications.

A mail will close

For Singapore, Batavia, and Samarang.—Per *Kjobenhavn*, to-day, the 12th inst., at 9.30 A.M., instead of at the time previously notified.

For Yokohama.—Per French Mail Packet *Tanais*, to-day, the 12th inst., at 4.30 P.M.

For Shanghai.—Per French Mail Packet *Iracuaddy*, to-morrow, the 13th inst., at 3 P.M.

For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.—Per Indian Mail Packet *China*, on Thursday, the 18th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

MAILS BY THE "*UNITED STATES PACKET*"

The United States' Mail Packet "*COLORADO*" will be dispatched on MONDAY, the 15th instant, at 3 P.M., with the Mails—

For Yokohama, San Francisco, the United States, and the United Kingdom.

The Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Books, Newspapers, &c., until 2.30 P.M.

Letters can be posted on board the Packet from 2.30 P.M. to 2.50 P.M., on payment of a Late Fee of 12 cents in addition to the Postage.

The Prepayment of the Postage to all the above places by this route is compulsory. Correspondence insufficiently prepaid will be forwarded by the English Packets.

Correspondence addressed to Yokohama and the United States must be superscribed per "*COLORADO*," and that addressed to the United Kingdom must be superscribed "*viâ San Francisco.*"

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 8th March, 1875.

MAILS BY THE "*ENGLISH PACKET.*"

The English Contract Packet "*SUNDA*" will be dispatched with the usual Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 18th instant, at Noon.

Money Orders on any of the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted until 5 P.M. on the 17th instant.

The Post-Office will be open until 6 P.M. on the 17th instant.

Letters, &c., may be posted during the night in the box left open for their reception.

Letters for registration will be received until 10 A.M. on the 18th instant.

Letters may be posted until 10 A.M. on the 18th instant, without late fee.

Letters posted after 10 A.M. on the 18th instant, will not be forwarded unless the *Late Fee* of 18 cents each as well as the postage is prepaid.

The latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 11 A.M., and for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 10 A.M. on the 18th instant.

Late letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom *viâ Brindisi*, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet from 11.30 A.M. to the time of sailing, on payment of a *Late Fee* of 48 cents each in addition to the postage.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 5th March, 1875.

It is hereby notified for general information, that the Postage on Letters addressed to Norway, when forwarded *via Southampton*, will henceforward be 36 cents for each half ounce which may either be paid in advance, or it may be left to be collected on delivery of the Letters. Unpaid Letters will be subject to an additional charge on delivery.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office, Hongkong.

It is hereby notified that henceforward the postage on letters addressed to Denmark, when forwarded via Southampton, will be 28 cents per half-ounce, prepayment optional. Unpaid letters will be subject to an additional charge on delivery.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office, Hongkong.

It is hereby notified that the postage chargeable upon *Paid* Letters addressed to France will henceforward be 12 cents per quarter ounce when forwarded by French Mail Packet, and 18 cents per quarter ounce when forwarded by British Mail Packet.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office, Hongkong.

The Post Office of Victoria (Australia) having given notice to the General Post Office in London that articles of Jewellery received in that Colony are chargeable with Customs Duties, the undersigned considers it necessary to make this Regulation known to the Public, and to state that any letters or packets containing such articles sent through the Post are liable, with their contents, to be forfeited.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office, Hongkong.

It is hereby notified that a line of British Mail Contract Packets has been established between Aden and Zanzibar, which, with connecting lines, will afford a regular means of conveyance of correspondence from Hongkong for the foreign ports on the East African Coast, as well as for Natal and the Cape Colony, St. Helena and Ascension, and that henceforward the postage, *which must be paid in advance*, on letters addressed to Zanzibar, Mozambique, Delagoa Bay, Natal, the Cape of Good Hope, and Ascension, will be 20 cents for each half-ounce, newspapers 2 cents each.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office, Hongkong.

Arrangements having been made under which Mails for London arriving at Suez from China by Private Ships will be forwarded to destination *viâ* Brindisi, it is hereby notified that the rates of postage, *which must be paid in advance*, on correspondence addressed to the United Kingdom so forwarded, will be as follows, viz.:—

For Letters		24 cents per half ounce.
For Newspapers		8 " each.
For Books and Patterns	not exceeding 1 ounce	4 cents.
	" 2 "	6 "
	" 4 "	12 "
	every additional 4 "	12 "

F. W. MITCHELL,

Extracts.

THE ROUGH'S LAST WRONG.

They may well say old England is 'altered,
I wonder where changes will stop,
Now Bigwigs of the Bench have not faltered
To let us down this hawful drop?
Bad enough the cat's brutal correction,
In our gaols should be let to run rife,
Spite of Lord Aberdare's wise objection,—
But a man hanged for killin' his wife!

And in Lancashire, too, where poor fellers
Brass-tipped clogs have the habit to use;
Where foul lies is crowded in cellars,
And the corner-men look down on shoes.
How's a family's 'eid to keep order,
Or put down aggravation and strife,
If a few broken ribs is called murder,
And a man hanged for killin' his wife?

Now I axe, is an 'ome worth a copper,
With them 'Spectors and Boards free to come?
Is wives wives, as you may 'nt fetch a topper
With a stick not so thick as your thumb?
There's spoons as wants law for the dumbest
Of dumb things, 'tis true, on my life;
But of all starts, this last start 's the rummest,
A man hanged for killin' his wife!"

—*Punch.*

FORGOTTEN FRIENDS.

Most readers will know how they have forgot old school companions, and even old college friends. At school many boys sort themselves in pairs, by elective affinity. Two boys are chums: always together in the playground; standing shoulder to shoulder against the world. At least it used to be so. Do we sometimes wonder, in graver years, if an old friend remembers us—if he is living yet? At college one is so far sophisticated that there is rarely the warm attachment of schoolboy days. Yet there were great friends, too, twenty, five-and-twenty years ago! But young men are bad letter-writers; they are set in life far apart; letters gradually cease; there is a kind thought now and then; but the rift has grown a river. People grow worldly of spirit, too, and frightened. If one had the chance to go and call for an old friend, unseen for a quarter of a century, whose home is six hundred miles off, should not one hesitate whether to go? One does not know what reception one might meet. A sharp face might look at you, not without the suspicion that you designed to borrow money. Which you would not get? It is a touching proof how not many years may sever old and fast friends, which you may find in Keble's Life—in the record how Newman and he met at Keble's door, and neither recognised the other. Newman tells us he did not know Keble, and Keble asked Newman who he was; which question he answered by presenting his card. I think it was not ten years since they last had met. It is very sad and strange.—"*Landscapes, Churches, and Moralities.*" *By the Author of "The Recreations of a Country Parson."*

ANCIENT FINES AND PUNISHMENTS IN FRIESLAND.

The punishments awarded for crimes in the olden times would hardly suit the exigencies of modern society, but they serve to show the radical change in manners and customs which has taken place within the last thousand years, and the following slight sketch of the manners and customs of ancient Friesland in regard to the punishment for murder, theft, and assault may not be uninteresting.

When a murder had been committed the nearest of the murdered man's relations had the right or rather the duty imposed on him of revenging the death of his relative, by taking blood for blood; but in the event of the murderer escaping, the crime could be compromised by the payment of a certain sum of money. The murderer then had to pay the value of the man, the sum being exactly fixed by law. Thus whoever murdered a nobleman had to pay 80 schilding, or to prove himself innocent by bringing forward eleven witnesses who were sworn on oath to prove he did not commit the crime. The murder of a Freed-man was paid for by a fine of 53½ schilding, and that of a Laten or half free man with 26⅔ schilding. The lower class of slaves could not be put on oath, and could be killed, but replaced by another man; thus, in the ancient laws of Friesland, it states "whoever murders the slave of another person shall replace him by another slave, or pay his full value, and this law shall refer also to horses, oxen, sheep, goats and other animals killed or stolen, and also to all animals which serve for the use of man." In another paragraph it states, whoever steals a slave, either male or female, an ox, horse, or sheep, or any other animal, shall pay the full value of the same."

However, this hush money was not only paid in case of murder, but the fine to be inflicted for every other injury committed was rigidly fixed. For example cutting off a man's ear was punishable by a fine of 12 Schilding, but the fine for stealing a horse was fixed at 24 Schilding. Whoever cut the forehead right across had to pay a fine of two Schilding—and for cutting the cheek a penalty of four Schilding. Knocking out a man's front tooth cost two Schilding, but an eye tooth cost three and a "Grueder" (four Schilding).

On any man severely hurting another by a cut over the head or any other part of his body, so that a piece of bone came out, they took the splinter and threw it on a shield—If the bone thus thrown on the metal was large enough to make a shield ring, so that the sound could be heard at a distance of twelve feet then the person who had injured the other, had to pay a fine of 36 Schilding. If, however, there were several pieces or splinters of bone, each one was tried and a fine exacted for each piece.

In the event of it being doubtful who had committed a murder it was allowed the nearest relative or avenger and his friends to accuse seven persons of the crime, the avenger having previously sworn only to accuse those whom he suspected of having committed it. These seven individuals could clear themselves of the accusation by swearing they had not committed the murder, and by going through the following ceremony. After having sworn the oath of innocence, they went together to a church, but if there was no church near the ceremony was performed over Holy relics. Each man was provided with a die made of willow wood—and the priest or person performing the ceremony had another die, marked with a cross. The other dice were plain. On arriving at the altar or box of relics, a white woollen cloth was spread out and the rite commenced, the crowd round about devoutly praying. The dice were thrown on the white cloth and the priest or child having had his eyes blindfolded took up one die. If this, on examination, proved to be the one with the cross on it, it was considered a sign that the murderer was not among the seven suspected men, but on the other hand, if one of the plain dice was taken up then it was certain that one of the seven men were guilty. In order to find out which of the men had committed the crime, each of them had to mark his die with a particular sign. The dice were then thrown on the relics or altar, and the priest, still blindfolded, took them up one by one. The last die was supposed to belong to the man whose name or mark was on it, and he was looked on as the culprit and condemned to pay the hush money. If, however, the dice proved that the murderer was not among the seven accused, then the "avenger" had the right to "suspect" seven other men, who had to undergo the same process as the previous seven, but could the man not be found out, on the second trial, the matter was allowed to drop and the avenger had no right to further relief.

If a son murdered his father his inheritance was taken from him. If a man killed his brother, he had to pay the full hush money to his brother's next heir, and had he no such heir, the money was paid to the king. If a man was killed at the king's court, in a church, or a hostage murdered, the hush money was increased ninefold, and this was the heaviest punishment that could be inflicted on a Freedman, as even the richest nobles were incapable of paying such a sum, and therefore the sentence was equivalent to a condemnation to slavery.

No hush money was paid for the following offences:—

1.—A man killed by his antagonist in Battle.
2.—For an adulterer.
3.—For a maid who committed arson.
4.—For a man guilty of sacrilege.
5.—For a thief breaking into a house.
6.—For the murder of a new born child, before it had taken my sustenance.

This latter heathen custom was legally in force until after the introduction of Christianity, as is shown in the following anecdote:—Lindger was one of the most earnest preachers in the time of Charles the Great, and was nominated Bishop of Mimigardevort, on the river Aa, by the Emperor in A.D. 791. Lindger's mother's name was Liafburch. At her birth, her grandmother, angry at her grandchild not being a boy, ordered it to be killed. He therefore sent out men, who seized the infant before it had taken any food, and who therefore had (according to law) a right to its life. A slave took the child and threw it into a large bucket of water, but the little thing clung to the sides of the tub. A woman near seeing this, and being moved by pity, seized on the child before the slave could interfere, and took it into her house, fastening the door behind her, when the slave forced an entrance, he found the child eating honey, and left it with the woman after having made her promise not to disclose what had happened. After her grandmother's death Liafburch was given back to her mother, and she it was who afterwards sent out her son Lindger to preach Christianity to the Heathen.

MIRZA.

Hongkong, March 10th, 1875.

SHAKESPEARE'S LOVE OF MUSIC.

In the works of man, no less than in the works of God, he took deep delight,—the "cloud-capp'd towers," the "gorgeous palaces," the "solemn temples." Of the Fine Arts he was an earnest votary. Music, in particular, was a never-ending delight to him. His eloquent denunciation of those who "are not moved with concord of sweet sounds" is written in a thousand hearts. To his ear music was "the food of love;" he claims for it the distinction of having been "ordained to refresh the mind of man." In that most exquisite scene at Belmont, in the fifth act of the "Merchant of Venice," music intensifies the happiness of the youthful lovers,—

"How sweet the moonlight sleeps upon this bank!
Here will we sit, and let the sounds of music
Creep in our ears; soft stillness and the night
Become the touches of sweet harmony."

And Jessica only deepens into tenderness when she breathes into the ear of Lorenzo,—

"I am never merry when I hear sweet music."

With what truth of feeling the Duke, in "The Twelfth Night," asks for a repetition of the music he has just heard!—

"That strain again;—it had a dying fall;
O, it came o'er my ear like the sweet south,
That breathes upon a bank of violets,
Stealing and giving odour."

And again,—

"That old and antique song we heard last night;
Methought it did relieve my passion much,
More than light airs and recollected tunes
Of these most brisk and giddy-paced times."

Such examples could be largely multiplied; but take as the only other the lines put into the lips of Oberon,—

"My gentle Puck, come hither; thou remember'st
Since once I sat upon a promontory,
And heard a mermaid, on a dolphin's back,
Uttering such dulcet and harmonious breath
That the rude sea grew civil at her song;
And certain stars shot madly from their spheres,
To hear the sea-maid's music."

Not contented with thus celebrating the charms of music, Shakespeare gave to be wedded to it some of the most delicious of our English songs.—*From Collin's Shakespeare.*

THE "CUB"-ENGINEER ON THE MISSISSIPPI.

My father was a justice of the peace, and I supposed he possessed the power of life and death over all men, and could hang anybody that offended him. This was distinction enough for me as a general thing; but the desire to be a steam-boatman kept intruding, nevertheless. I first wanted to be a cabin-boy, so that I could come out with a white apron on and shake a table-cloth over the side, where all my old comrades could see me; later I thought I would rather be the deck-hand who stood on the end of the stage-plank with the coil of rope in his hand, because he was particularly conspicuous. But these were only day-dreams—they were too heavenly to be contemplated as real possibilities. By and by one of our boys went away. He was not heard of for a long time. At last he turned up as apprentice engineer or "striker" on a steamboat. This thing shook the bottom out of all my Sunday-school teachings. That boy had been notoriously worldly, and I just the reverse; yet he was exalted to this eminence, and I left in obscurity and misery. There was nothing generous about this fellow in his greatness. He would always manage to have a rusty bolt to scrub while his boat tarried at our town, and he would sit on the inside guard and scrub it, where we could all see him and envy him and loathe him. And whenever his boat was laid up he would come home and swell around the town in his blackest and greasiest clothes, so that nobody could help remembering that he was a steamboatman; and he used all sorts of steamboat technicalities in his talk, as if he were so used to them that he forgot common people could not understand them. He would speak of the "labboard" side of a horse in an easy, natural way that would make one wish he was dead. And he was always talking about "St. Looy" like an old citizen; he would refer casually to occasions when he "was coming down Fourth-street," or when he was "passing by the Planter's House," or when there was a fire and he took a turn on the brakes of "the old Big Missouri;" and then he would go on and lie about how many towns the size of ours were burned down there that day. Two or three of the boys had long been persons of consideration among us because they had been to St. Louis once and had a vague general knowledge of its wonders, but the day of their glory was over now. They lapsed into a humble silence, and learned to disappear when the ruthless "cub"-engineer approached. This fellow had money, too, and hair oil. Also an ignorant silver watch and a showy brass watch chain. He wore a leather belt and used no suspenders. If ever a youth was cordially admired and hated by his comrades, this one was. No girl could withstand his charms. He "cut out" every boy in the village. When his boat blew up at last it diffused a tranquil contentment among us such as we had not known for months. But when he came home next week, alive, renowned, and appeared in church all battered up and bandaged, a shining hero, stared at and wondered over by everybody, it seemed to us that the partiality of Providence for an undeserving reptile had reached a point where it was open to criticism.—*Atlantic Monthly.*

The Russian Government contemplate increasing very considerably the salaries of the teachers, the continued scarcity of provisions threatening to thin the ranks of the scholastic profession very sensibly.

Insurances.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned Agents are in receipt of instructions from the Board of Directors, authorising them to issue Policies to the extent of £10,000 on any one First-class Risk, or to the extent of £15,000 on Adjoining Risks at Current Rates.

A Discount of 20 °/. allowed.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., *Agents.*

48 Hongkong, 8th January, 1875.

COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company's Fire Department, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE to the extent of £10,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current rates, subject to an immediate discount of Twenty per cent.

THE BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

1y 790 Hongkong, 20th May, 1874.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM this date, until further notice, a discount of Twenty per cent. (20°/.) upon the current local rates of premia will be allowed upon insurances effected with this Company.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *Agents.*

tf 1192 Hongkong, 27th June, 1872.

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $45,000 on First-class Risks.

A Discount of Twenty per cent. (20 °/.) upon the Current Local Rates of Premia will be allowed upon Insurances effected with this Office.

T. G. LINSTEAD, *Agent, Sun Fire Office.*

1335 Hongkong, 26th August, 1874.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $60,000 on any one

FIRST-CLASS RISK,

at Current Rates.

A RETURN OF TWENTY PER CENT. (20°/.) will be made on the premium charged on all Insurances, such RETURN being payable on the issue of the Policy.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., *Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.*

333 Hongkong, 1st March, 1874.

BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

MARINE RISKS.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal ports of India, Australia, and the East.

A BROKERAGE of THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. will be allowed on all LOCAL RISKS.

FIRE RISKS.

Policies granted on First-class Buildings to an extent of $20,000.

A DISCOUNT of TWENTY PER CENT. (20°/.) upon the current local rates will be allowed on all premium charged for insurance; such discount being deducted at the time of the issue of policy.

RUSSELL & Co., *Agents.*

1 Hongkong, 1st January, 1874.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES to the extent of $65,000, on first-class risks at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.

tf 674 Hongkong, 1st May, 1874.

OFFICE OF THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ON and after this date the above Company will allow a Brokerage of THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. (33⅓ °/.) on Local Risks only.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., *General Agents.*

tf 876 Hongkong, 4th June, 1874.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $40,000, on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

tf 717 Hongkong, 9th November, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER AND SPECIAL ACTS OF PARLIAMENT.

Established 1809.

CAPITAL—£2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the following rates, subject to a discount of 20 °/.

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from Town, and their Contents.............. ⅛ per cent. per annum.
Other Dwelling Houses, used strictly as such, and their Contents............ ¾ " "
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their Contents............ 1 " "

SHORT PERIOD INSURANCES.

Not exceeding ten days, ⅛ of the annual rate.
Not exceeding one month.............. ¼ "
Above 1 month, and not exceeding 3 months........ ½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding 6 months........ ¾ "
Above 6 months.............. the full annual rate.

GILMAN & Co., *Agents.*

tf 1903 Hongkong, 8th May, 1874.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above-mentioned Ports.

No charge for Policy fees.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, *Secretary.*

Hongkong, 1st November, 1871. [tf 335.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

tf 1958 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept *risks against Fire at current rates*, subject to a bonus of 20 per cent.

SIEMSSEN & Co., *Agents.*

tf 39 Hongkong, 16th November, 1872.

LONDON AND ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE OFFICE, 137, LEADENHALL STREET, LONDON. ESTABLISHED 1848.

THE Undersigned is authorised to accept risks on behalf of this Office, by First Class Steamers and Sailing Ships.

A. McIVER, *Agent,*

tf Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

THE SECOND COLONIAL SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BATAVIA.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, call SPECIAL ATTENTION OF SHIPPERS to the low rates of premium charged for all steamer risks, besides which a Brokerage of THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. (33⅓ °/.) will be allowed on risks to ports in China, Japan, the Philippines, and the Straits. On risk to all other ports the Brokerage will be FIFTEEN PER CENT. (15 °/.) only.

SIEMSSEN & Co., *Agents.*

tf 1028 Hongkong, 1st July, 1874.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.

tf 471 Hongkong, 1st March, 1874.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS 800,000 TAELS.

POLICIES granted on *Marine Risks* to all parts of the World, at current rates.

This Association will, until further notice, provide out of the earnings, first for an interest dividend of 15°/. for shareholders on Capital, and thereafter distribute among Policy holders annually, in cash, ALL the profits of the Underwriting Business *pro rata* to amount of premium contributed.

RUSSELL & Co., *Agents.*

tf 1089 Hongkong, 9th July, 1872.

Insurances.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to GRANT POLICIES AGAINST FIRE to the extent of 45,000 Dollars on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, at Current Local Rates, subject to a Discount of 20 °/. on the premia.

EDWARD NORTON & Co., *Agents.*

tf 8 Hongkong, January, 1875.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST, A.D. 1720.

THE undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation, are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China, and Australia.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

A discount of 20 °/ allowed.

LIFE DEPARTMENT.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000, on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co

tf 1363 Hongkong, 26th July, 1872.

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM this date, until further notice, a discount of Twenty per cent. (20°/.) upon the current local rate of premia will be allowed on insurances effected with this Company.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., *Agents.*

tf 193 Hongkong, 27th June, 1872.

HONGKONG MARKETS.

As Reported by Chinese on the 11th March, 1875.

COTTON GOODS.

COTTON YARN, No. 16 a 24, per 400lbs.		$100.00 a $112.00
" " 28 a 32	"	110.00 a 118.00
" " 38 a 42	"	118.00 a 123.00
GREY SHIRTINGS, 7 lbs.	per piece	$1.72 a 1.90
" 8 lbs	"	2.00 a 2.25
" 8½ lbs.	"	2.15 a 2.55
WHITE SHIRTINGS, 64 a 60 reed.	"	2.10 a 2.25
" 64 a 66	"	2.45 a 2.50
" 68 a 80	"	2.85 a 3.50
WHITE SPOTTED DO.	per piece	2.40 a 2.45
WHITE BROCADES,	"	2.65 a 2.70
AMERICAN DRILLS, 30 yards	"	2.70 a 2.75
" 40	"	3.70 a 3.80
GREY T-CLOTHS, 24 yds & 32 in. 7 lbs.	"	1.80 a 2.05
" 24 " & 36 " 8 lbs.	"	2.15 a 2.20
DYED SPOTTED SHIRTINGS,	"	3.60 a 3.95
DYED BROCADE Do.	"	3.70 a 3.95
DYED DAMASK Do.	per piece	5.85 a 6.00
CHINTS,	"	1.80 a 1.85
HANDKERCHIEFS, Blue	per doz.	0.60 a 0.70
" Brown	"	0.60 a 0.64
" Red	"	0.70 a 0.75
VELVETS, Black, 22 ins.	per yard	0.18 a 0.19
" Gentian, 22	"	0.16 a 0.19
VELVETEENS, Black,	"	0.23 a 0.28

WOOLLEN GOODS.

SPANISH STRIPES,	per yard	0.78 a 0.79
LONG ELLS, *MM* Scarlet,	per piece	9.90 a 9.95
" " Assorted,	"	9.45 a 9.50
" *HH* Scarlet,	"	9.80 a 9.85
" " Assorted,	"	9.35 a 9.40
CAMLETS, SSS	"	16.50 a 17.00
" SS	"	18.00 a 18.90
" S	"	19.00 a 19.20
" *BBB*	"	19.80 a 20.00
LASTINGS, *DD*	"	15.50 a 16.00

METALS.

IRON, Nail Rod	per picul	3.20 a 3.40
" Hoop,	"	3.95 a 4.20
" Bar,	"	3.15 a 3.25
" Wire,	"	8.15 a 8.20
LEAD,		7.50 a 7.80
STEEL, English,	per tub.	5.50 a 5.60
" Swedish,	"	5.60 a 5.65
TIN, Malacca,	per picul	22.50 a 24.80
TIN PLATES,	per box	7.65 a 8.10
SHEATHING METAL,	per picul	25.00 a 29.00
QUICKSILVER, English,	"	102.00 a —
" American	"	105.00 a —
SPELTER,	"	7.25 a 7.50

PRODUCE.

COTTON, Shanghai	per picul	13.60 a 14.00
" Ningpo,	"	14.00 a 14.20
" Tientsin,	"	14.50 a 15.00
" Tungchow,	"	14.50 a 15.00
" Bengal,	"	12.50 a 13.00
ALUM,	"	1.50 a 1.70
SESAMUMS, white,	"	4.20 a 4.80
" Black,	"	3.30 a 3.50
RICE, Bengal, Cargo No. 1	"	2.45 a 2.50
" " 2	"	2.20 a 2.25
" Siam, white,	"	1.85 a 1.90
" " mill cleaned,	"	1.70 a 1.75
" Manila,	"	2.35 a 2.40
" Singapore,	"	2.10 a 2.15
" Saigon,	"	1.60 a 1.65
" Arracan,	"	2.10 a 2.15
" Rangoon,	"	2.35 a 2.40
SALTPETER,	"	5.75 a 6.20
COALS, AFLOAT,	per ton,	
" English steam,	"	13.00 a 14.00
" Sydney,	"	10.50 a —
WINDOW GLASS,	per box.	3.30 a 3.60
STRAITS PRODUCE, &c.,		
RATTANS, Straits,	per pcl.	5.80 a 6.00
" Banjar,	"	4.50 a 4.80
PEPPER, White,	"	19.00 a 19.50
" Black,	"	12.00 a 12.50
BETEL NUT,	"	3.15 a 3.20
SANDAL WOOD, Malabar,	"	4.10 a 4.30
" South Seas,	"	17.50 a 19.00
SAPAN WOOD, Manila,	"	1.50 a 2.20
" Siam,	"	2.50 a 2.75
FLOUR, American, per barrel of 200 lbs.		6.25 a 6.50
" " of 100 lbs.		2.60 a 2.75
" California, per sack of 50 lbs.		1.10 a 1.25
WHEAT, Tientsin,	per pcl.	1.80 a 1.95
" California,	"	2.35 a 2.30
SUGAR, Canton white, 1's 3	"	6.70 a 7.15
" " Dk. Brown,	"	3.50 a 3.60
" West Coast, Dk. Brown,	"	3.20 a 3.30
" Manila, Dry White,	"	4.20 a 4.30
" Candy,	"	9.10 a 9.15
CAMPHOR, packed,	"	15.00 a 15.25
PEAS, White,	"	1.90 a 2.05
" Green,	"	2.50 a 2.35
" Black,	"	1.75 a 1.90
" Yellow,	"	1.85 a 1.90
MUSHROOMS,	"	57.00 a 60.00
SEAWEED, Green,	"	1.60 a 1.75
" Cut,	"	3.80 a 4.25
MUSSELS, Dry Siam large,	"	9.20 a 11.00
" " middle,	"	7.75 a 8.20
" " small,	"	5.20 a 5.75
VERMICELLI, Tientsin	"	7.00 a 7.50
BEES-WAX, Japan, White,	"	12.80 a 13.00
" Hankow,	"	84.00 a 85.00

SHIPPING IN THE CANTON WATERS.

HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

Vessels.	*Captain.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Albay		Span. str	269	D. Lapraik & Co	
Cassandra	Langer	Ger. str	826	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Singapore, &c.
China	T. S. Gardner	Brit. str	971	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co	Singapore, &c.
Colorado	N. C. Dearborn	Amr. str	4000	P. M. S. S. Co	Yokohama, &c.
Consolation	T. Cormack	Brit. str	761	Birley & Co	Swatow, &c.
Crocus	R. H. Joy	Brit. str	1297	Ah Yon	
Egeria	J. Entwisle	Ger. str	1087	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	Cooktown, &c.
Fame	Vicary	Brit. str	116	H. K. & W. Dk. Co	*Tug Plying*
Foiwan		Brit. str		A. Heard & Co., Agents	
Hailoong	Abbott	Brit. str	277	D. Lapraik & Co	Amoy, &c.
Hanyang	Bell	Brit. str	290	Master	
Irauaddy	Lecointre	Fren. str	2440	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai
Japan	H. de Smidt	Brit. str	2140	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co	Singapore, &c.
Kjobenhavn	D. Torm	Dan. str	701	Hop Kee	Singapore, &c.
Kinshan ‡	Cary	Brit. str	1050	A. Heard & Co., Agents	
Kin-Kiang ‡	Benning	Brit. str	1061	A. Heard & Co., Agents	
Leonor		Span. str	393	D. Lapraik & Co	Repairing
Little Orphan		Brit. str	40	Capt. J. B. Benning	
Massilia	Edwards	Brit. str	1033	P. & O. S. N. Co	
Nankin	M. Bruce	Brit. str	1830	Siemssen & Co	Saigon
Norna		Brit. str	606	Kwok Acheong	
Orissa	Edmond	Brit. str	1100	P. & O. S. N. Co	Yokohama
Pawtuxet		Amr. str	280	Aug. Heard & Co	
Powan	A. H. Benning	Brit. str	1890	A. Heard & Co., Agents	
Poyang §	Carroll	Brit. str	821	A. Heard & Co., Agents	
Scotland	J. James	Brit. str	1700	Turner & Co	
Sir J. Jeejeebhoy		Brit. str	101	Kwok Acheong	
Somerset	Morris	Brit. str	654	Gibb, Livingston & Co	
Tanais	Reynier	Fren. str	1260	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama
Yot-sai		Brit. str	180	Kwok Acheong	

‡ *Running between Hongkong and Canton*
§ *Running between Macao and Hongkong*

SAILING VESSELS.

Vessels.	*Captain.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Afonso	H. Ropers	Fren. bk	417	Chinese	
Amiral Devoulx	Cariqua	Fren. bk	774	Carlowitz & Co	
Atlantic	Mellin	Brit. sh	1709	Order	
Auguste Friedrich	J. Nielsen	Ger. bk	367	Siemssen & Co	
Balbina	Miranda	Span. bk	501	Remedios & Co	Manila
Batavia	Royter	Swed. bk	390	Order	Manila
Cap-sing-moon	Sorensen	Brit. bk	466	S. E. Burrows & Sons	
Cecilia		Port. bk	533		
Chateaubriand	Hervé	Fren. bk	384	Carlowitz & Co	
Charite	Hervé	Fren. bk	390	Carlowitz & Co	Tientsin
Civiale	H. H. Brock	Ger. bk	380	Siemssen & Co	
Otto	Oberg	Ger. bk	216	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	Saigon
Coeran	Hernsheim	Ger. sch	210	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Corinne	T. Laidman	Brit. bk	395	Wieler & Co	
Daylight	Rademaker	Siam. bk	447	Chinese	
Dorothea	Möller	Ger. bk	619	Melchers & Co	
Ellen Munroe	Norcross	Amr. sh	1383	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	San Francisco
Emigrante		Peru. sh	946	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Forward	Strachan	Brit. bk	745	Rozario & Co	Portland
Frances & Amanda	Hennings	Ger. bk	350	Siemssen & Co	Callao
Garibaldi	C. M. Noyes	Amr. bk	671	Rozario & Co	Portland
Gazelle	Möller	Ger. bg	198	Wieler & Co	
Handy	Datursen	Siam. sh	632	Chinese	
Hansa	F. Oest	Ger. bk	498	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	San Francisco
Jacoba Helena	Immerzeel	Dut. bk	633	Siemssen & Co	
Jacobine	Hohlmann	Ger. bk	417	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Juno		Amr. bk	350	Chinese	
Kvik	Loronge	Nor. bk	700	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	Honolulu
La Paix	Magnient	Fren. bk	450	Landstein & Co	Takao
Lord Macaulay	Monkman	Brit. bk	846	Russell & Co	San Francisco
Lucky	Buchholt	Siam. bk	422	Tack-mee	
Louisa	Shierloh	Ger. sch	242	Ed. Schellhass & Co	Chefoo
Lyra	T. H. Carr	Brit. bk	379	Yuen-fat-hong	
Mount Washington	Perkins	Amr. sh	1217	Tudor Co	San Francisco
Novelty	Limmex	Brit. bk	376	Russell & Co	
Onward	Stimson	Brit. sh	606	Rozario & Co	
Osaka	R. Lowe	Brit. bk	525	Order	
Papa	Lorring	Ger. bk	847	Wieler & Co	
Ricca Genova	Commins	Brit. bk	652	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Shannon	Frodsham	Brit. bg	296	P. M. S. S. Co	
S. Ka Cham Roam	Hoff	Siam. bk	411	Chinese	
Sudan	Oesan	Ger. bk	304	Ed. Schellhass & Co	Newchwang
Suwa	Warnken	Ger. bk	290	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Talee	Hoffmann	Ger. bk	342	Siemssen & Co	
Tartar	Kaomena	Ger. bg	356	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	San Francisco
Varuna	C. Sachan	Ger. bk	480	Wieler & Co	
Wm. Phillips	A. Healy	Amr. sch	492	Aug. Heard & Co	San Francisco
Witch	Murray	Brit. bk	295	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	

RECEIVING VESSELS & HULKS.

Vessels.	*Captain.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Chase	Mather	Pw. Mag.	283	Harbour Master	
John Adam	G. Horspool	Hulk	318	Water Police	

H. M. S. SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Name.	*Rig.*	*Guns.*	*H.P.*	*Captain.*	*Where At.*
Adventure	double sc. gun vs.	2	400	John d'Arcy	En route to Hongkong
Audacious	double sc. frigate	14	800	P. H. Colomb	Hongkong
Challenger	double sc. gun vl.	—	—	Capt. M. J. Thomson	Japan
Charybdis	steam corvette	17	400	Capt. T. E. Smith	Singapore
Curlew	doub. sc. gun vl.	3	160	Comdr. E. J. Church	Nagasaki
Dwarf	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	20	Comdr. Hon. Dawson	Shanghai
Egeria	double sloop	4	120	R. S. Turton	Singapore
Frolic	double sc. gun vl.	4	100	Comdr. C. E. Buckle	Hongkong
Growler	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	120	Comdr. W. Stewart	Amoy
Hart	double sc. gun vs.	4	120	Comdr. T. H. Royse	Singapore
Hornet	double sc. gun vl.	4	120	Comdr. Cameron	Hongkong
Kestrel	double sc. gun vl.	4	100	Comdr. Theobald	Foochow
Lapwing	despatch gun-ves.	3	160	Com. Sir Wm. W. Bart	Singapore
Meanee	military hospital	—	—	—	Hongkong
Midge	doub. sc. gun vl.	4	120	Comdr. Grant	Tientsin
Modeste	steam corvette	14	350	Capt. A. Buller	Shanghai
Mosquito	gun-boat	4	60	Lieut. Comr. Paul	Japan
Ringdove	doub. sc. gun vl.	3	160	Comdr. Singleton	En route to Hongkong
Swinger	doub. sc. gun vl.	2	60	Lieut. Comr. Bolitho	Hankow
Sylvia	double sc. gun vl.	—	150	Capt. St. John	Kobé
Thalia	steam corvette	6	400	Capt. H. B. Woolleombe	Yokohama
Thistle	doub. sc. gun vs.	4	120	Comr. F. Stirling	Bangkok
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	2	600	Comdr. J. E. Parish	Hongkong
Vigilant	despatch vessel	2	250	Comdr. H. O. D. Ryder	Hongkong

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR IN HARBOUR.

Name.	*Nation.*	*Tons.*	*Guns.*	*Captain.*
Ascold	Russian cor.			Tirtoff
Dang-wee	Ann. gun-boat	250		O'Sullivan
Hartford	U. S. frigate	2900		J. C. P. de Krafft
Kearsage	U. S. corvette	1550		D. B. Harmony
Venzedora	Spanish cor.	700		Miguel Gaston
Yantic	U.S. corvette	490		McDougal

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

WHAMPOA.

STEAMERS.

Vessel.	*Captain.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons.*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Lintin		Brit. str	69	Kwok Acheong	
Namoa	Westoby	Brit. str	863	D. Lapraik & Co	

WHAMPOA.

SAILING VESSELS.

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Abeille	Ollive	Fren. bk	239	Russell & Co	Manila
Carl	Otzen	Ger. bk	216	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
Elise	Hansen	Ger. bk	349	Wm. Pustau & Co	Tientsin
Monsoon	Hunter	Brit. bk	282	Rozario & Co	Tientsin
Peri	F. G. Crantz	Ger. bg	276	Wm. Pustau & Co	Hamburg

CANTON

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
An-lan	Godeil	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Chen-jui	Wade	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Ching-Sing	E. Choy	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Demerara				Customs Chop	
Ngan-tun	Stewart	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Sui-Tsing	James Stewart	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Sun-Chee	Scott	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Tien-Po	Longueville	H.I.C.M.	g-b.		
Yungtsze	Corner	Brit. str	782	Siemssen & Co	

MACAO.

In port on 2nd March, 1875.

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Camoes	J. Gumaroes	Port. g-b.		A. Heard & Co., Agents	
Spark ‡		Brit. str			
Tejo	F. Cabral	Port. g-b.			

‡ *Running between Canton and Macao.*

SWATOW.

In port on 2nd March, 1875.

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Dronning Louise		Dan. bk	269	Order	
Faworth Castle		Brit. bk	354	Order	Chefoo
Frohlich		Ger. bg	360	Order	
Hieronimus		Ger. bk	227	Order	Taiwanfoo
Holstein		Ger. sch	280	Order	Taiwanfoo
Lady Clarendon		Brit. sh	1397	Order	Singapore
Lunalilo		Haw. bk	473	Order	Shanghai
Nardoo		Brit. bk	379	Order	Chefoo
Ocean		Ger. bk	457	Order	Saigon
Peter		Ger. bk	397	Order	Taiwanfoo

AMOY.

In port on 1st March, 1875.

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Aarhuus	Heckendorff	Dan. sch	251	H. A. Petersen & Co	
Alerta	Trelevan	Brit. sch	209	Boyd & Co	
Anna	Jurgensen	Ger. sch	162	H. A. Petersen & Co	
Aurora	Piettnal	Brit. bk	295	Boyd & Co	
Carnarvonshire	Doncaster	Brit. bk	388	Boyd & Co	
Jurgen	Wendt	Ger. bk	269	Pasedag & Co	Newchwang
Meteor	Petersen	Siam. bg	295	Brown & Co	
Nyborg	Hempel	Dan. sch	270	H. A. Petersen & Co	
Rubicon	Ramsey	Brit. sch	204	Boyd & Co	
Tokaton		Brit. bk	805	Boyd & Co	
Tuck Sing	Marshall	Brit. bk	388	Elles & Co	

FOOCHOW.

In port on 5th March, 1875.

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Kestrel	Theobald	H.M. g-b	470		Tamsui

SHANGHAI.

In port on 24th February, 1875.

The names of the numerous steamers, tugs, small craft, and receiving hulks, employed on the Yang-tsze are not included in this table.

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Adele	Lapham	Amr. sch	327	Frazar & Co	
Alexander	Hurrans	Brit. sch	246	Master	
Black Adder	Wdote	Brit. sh	917	Frazar & Co	
Condor	Jessen	Ger. bk	239	Bourjau & Co	
Eaglet	Nicol	Brit. bk	291	Morris, Lewis & Co	
Farningham	Croit	Brit. bk	281	Siemssen & Co	
Formosa	Campbell	Brit. bk	380	Russell & Co	
Geo. Washington	Askins	Brit. bk	414	Morris, Lewis & Co	
Hamburg	Kroge	Ger. bk	310	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Hokaido	Schere	Brit. sch	114	Nils Moller	
Indiana	Scott	Brit. bk	298	Lane, Crawford & Co	
J. H. Jessen	Carstens	Ger. bk	276	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Janet	Crombie	Brit. bk	225	Mackenzie & Co	
Nadeshda	Hartman	Dan. sch	285	Siemssen & Co	
Northampton	Barclay	Brit. sh	1761	Aug. Heard & Co	New York
Omba	Thomson	Brit. sh	356	Jardine, Matheson & Co	London
Sally	Tait	Brit. bk	296	Drysdale, Ringer & Co	
Uranus	Berg	Nor. bk	486	Frazar & Co	

YOKOHAMA.

In port on 22nd February, 1875.

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Lizzie	Graham	Brit. bk	385	Captain	
Palma	Binge	Ger. bk	299	Chinese	
Peter	Richelsen	Ger. bk	397	N. Trading Co	
Velox	Mueller	Dut. sch	187	N. Trading Co	

MANILA.

In port on 20th February, 1875.

Vessels.	*Captains.*	*Flag & Rig.*	*Tons*	*Consignees.*	*Destination.*
Batavia		Ger. bk	363	Smith, Bell & Co	
Bunker Hill		Amr. sh	998	Peele, Hubbell & Co	
Canaan		Brit. bk	840	Order	
Columa		Dut. bk	360	G. V. P. Petel & Co	
Conchita		Span. bk	408	Order	
Corona		Brit. sh	1199	Order	
Gravina		Span. bg	246	F. Munoz	
Mikado		Ger. bk	340	Order	
Nuevo Lepanto		Span. bg	203	Chinese Josan	
Pepita		Span. sh	567	F. Reyes	
Perla del Oceano		Span. bg	204	Chinese M. Conlin	
Rosalia		Span. bg	217	Order	
Sarah Nicholson		Brit. sh	933	Order	
Star of the West		Amr. sh	1491	Order	
Teresa		Span. bk	251	Order	
V[illegible] Rivadavia	Camus	Span. bg	267	R. Reville	

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